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BIRTHS

BASHALL.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 12, Qui Si Sana, Sliema, Malta, to BETTY (*née* Lasenby), wife of CAPT. BASHALL, Royal Marines—a daughter (HELEN).

BOSWELL.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Brookside, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, to ETHNE BARBARA (*née* O'Ferrall), wife of J. S. BOSWELL, Royal Artillery—a son.

BOYD.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at a nursing home, Glasgow, to MARION, wife of ROBERT BOYD, 48, Rue Ampère, Paris—a son.

BROWN.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Altrincham, Cheshire, to CHRISTIAN (*née* Learmonth), wife of ROBERT BROWN, Madras, India—a daughter.

BURT.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at 27, Welbeck-street, W.1, to WANDA, wife of R. F. BURT—a son.

COOKE.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Beechcroft, Alverstoke, to PHYLLIS (*née* Mathew), wife of LIEUT. H. ERNEST COOKE, R.N.—a son.

CURNOW.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at Woodford Rectory, Northamptonshire, to MARY (*née* Davidson), wife of CAPTAIN ELAND CURNOW, 4/2nd Punjab Regt.—a daughter.

DICKINSON.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at 3, Oakwood-court, W.14, to RUTH, wife of LIEUTENANT WILLIAM MART DICKINSON, R.N., the gift of a son.

DICKSON.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Corchester, Corbridge, Northumberland, to NORAH (*née* Scott-Mansfield), wife of F. G. A. DICKSON—a daughter.

FRASER.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Lockerley Manor, Romsey, to HESTER, wife of SQUADRON-LEADER H. M. FRASER, Royal Air Force—a daughter.

HICKLING.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at "Sunnymede," West Kirby, Cheshire, the wife of A. R. HICKLING, of a son.

KEAY.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Rugby, to BETTY, wife of G. A. KEAY—a daughter.

KENWARD.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at "Thorpe Arnold," Upper Warlingham, Surrey, to EDITH, wife of the Rev. TRAFFORD KENWARD—a daughter.

LILLIES.—On Jan. 9, 1930, at Poona, India, to JAN, wife of Captain GEOFFREY LILLIES, Indian Army—a son.

OSCROFT.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Long Lane, Attenborough, Notts, to OLIVE SHARPE (*née* Ridgers), wife of CECIL FREDDY OSCROFT—a son.

OSGOOD.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at Chestnut Hill, Boston, U.S.A., to HELGA (*née* Gray), wife of HAMILTON OSGOOD—a daughter.

POULTON.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at Chandler's Ford, Hants, to PHOEBE, wife of CAPTAIN H. M. POULTON, Indian Army—a daughter.

ROBINSON.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at Hounslow, to LIEUT. (*née* Sussine), the wife of C. KEITH ROBINSON—a daughter (JENNIFER LUCY).

ROBINSON.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Rodbury, West Town, Somerset, to MARJORY, the wife of EDMUND ROBINSON—a son.

RYDER.—On Saturday, Jan. 11, 1930, at Garry Cottage, Raleigh-drive, Claygate, to ESID (*née* Sanger), wife of THOMAS ALFRED RYDER—a son.

SCHWIND.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Ootacamund, S India, to AILEEN (*née* Campbell), wife of FRANCIS SCHWIND—a son.

SCOTT.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Glan Avon, Potter Street, to KATHLEEN (*née* Silley), wife of KENNETH SCOTT—a son.

STEELE.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Bournemouth, to JOAN (*née* Haley), wife of H. W. STEELE, Stilwan, F.M.S.—a son.

SUGDEN.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Caldr, Moor Park, Herts, to PATRICIA, wife of H. CECIL SUGDEN—a son.

VYVYAN-ROBINSON.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Two Trees, Claygate, Surrey, to AILEEN, wife of FRANCIS VYVYAN-ROBINSON, M.C.—a daughter.

WARD.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 67, Brunswick-place, Hove, to VALENTINE, wife of STANLEY F. WARD—a son (ANTHONY JOHN MARIE).

WEST.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Bulsaway, to ELIZABETH STUART (*née* Stephens), wife of CAPT. COLIN WEST—a son.

WHEELER.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 10, Queen Anne-street, to Mr. and Mrs. DONALD WHEELER—a son.

MARRIAGES

AIREY : ELWORTHY.—On Jan. 11, 1950, at St. Mary's Church, Hendon, HARRY STUART, son of the late MAJOR R. AIREY, to HELEN MARY, daughter of the late ROBERT P. ELWORTHY, of Elizabethgrad, South Russia, and Mrs. Elworthy, of 21, Ranulf-road, N.W.2.

BROWN : FLACK.—On Saturday, Jan. 11, 1930, at Holy Trinity Church, Finchley-road, Hampstead, HENRY BRUCE, youngest son of the late W. E. BROWN, of Teignbridge, to GLADYS MARY, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. HORACE P. FLACK, of Hampstead.

CHARLESWORTH : MUSPRATT.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at St. George's, Hanover-square, by the Rev. Frances Underhill, M.A., assisted by the Rev. A. V. Dixon, FRANCIS GEORGE, only son of DR. FRANCIS CHARLESWORTH, formerly of Zanzibar, to NESSIE MONICA, daughter of the late E. B. MUSPRATT and Mrs. Edmond G. Chinnock.

COX : CRUICKSHANK.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at St. Anne's Church, Kew Green, by the Rev. S. H. Bibbesombe, DEVEREUX SCOTT, late 1st Battn., The Leicestershire Regiment, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. P. Cox, of Maidenhead and Ferring-on-Sea, and grandson of Walter Gibbons Cox, C.E., of Brisbane, Queensland, to PHYLLIS MURRAY, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. CRUICKSHANK, of Aberdeen, N.B.

GOODALL : GILL.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at St. Peter's Church, Mill End, Twyford, ARTHUR GOODALL, of Cablechene, Chesham, to DORIS MARY GILL, of Heronsgate, Rickmansworth.

PARRY : MURPHY.—On Saturday, Jan. 11, 1930, at Canterbury Cathedral, by the Rev. N. L. Lycett, assisted by Canon C. F. Tanks and the Rev. L. E. Meredith, FREDERICK WARREN BLAKEWAY PARRY, The Buffs, elder son of Col. D. H. R. Parry, late 3rd Dragoon Guards, and Mrs. Parry, of Ferney Hill, Dursley, Glos, to HELEN BRENDA MURPHY, elder daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Murphy, Walton House, Canterbury.

STEARNS : GRAY.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Christ Church, Kensington, by Canon F. N. Skene, HUGH DAVID, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. STEARNS, of The House of Barns, Chesham, to ELLEN MYFANWY, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. GRAY, of Briarwood, Woking.

STRATFORD : SOPWITH.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at St. Stephen's Church, Enfield, by the Rev. A. Campbell Hair, Rector of Willingham, Cambridge, assisted by Rev. E. Forbes, THOMAS ERIC TRUWIN STRATFORD, of Dorchester, to FRANCES EILEEN SOPWITH, of The Firs, Enfield.

THOMPSON : KEENS.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Grinstead, ERIC THORPE, of the Anthropological Staff, Field Museum, Chicago, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Thompson, London, to FLORENCE, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. KEENS, Gravesend. (By cable.)

WISEMAN : AUGUST.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at St. John's Church, Lemsford, by the Rev. Horace Fortbes, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Brighton, JOHN EDWARD WISEMAN, son of Mrs. William Wiseman, of St. Leonards-on-Sea, to MOLLY AUGUST, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. August, of Western Garden City, Herts.

GOLDEN WEDDING

BOULDERSON : WALLACE.—On Jan. 14, 1880, at Umritsar, HENRY ALLAN BALFOUR BOULDERSON, 59th (Notts) Regiment, son of the late Colonel John Carne Boulderson, to LILY HELEN MUTEELLE, daughter of the late STUART WALLACE, of Hayfield, Dripsey, Co. Cork. Present address: Eversfield, Southsea.

DEATHS

AINSLIE.—In hospital at Salisbury, Rhodesia, VYVIAN AUDREY (BRAU), eldest child of MAJOR EUSTACE and AUDREY AINSLIE, on evening of her 10th birthday.

ALABASTER.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Sanderstead, Surrey, of acute bronchitis, after a brief illness, HENRY, beloved husband of HELEN ALABASTER, late Chairman of the *Electrical Review*, in his 84th year. Funeral arrangements later.

ALLAWAY.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at 68, Wykehamroad, Hendon, N.W.4, HENRY ALLAWAY. Funeral at Hendon Park Cemetery at 3 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday).

BREMNER.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at 17, Victoria-road, Chingford, after a long illness bravely borne, FREDERICK PERTHES BREMNER, M.B., C.M. Edin., of 12, Lower Clapton-road, London.

BROWN.—On Jan. 9, 1930, at Hargeisa, Somaliland, of illness contracted on service, W. CULLEN BROWN, Lieut., 4th Queen's Own Hussars, attached Somaliland Camel Corps, eldest son of W. H. Brown, Faulstone, Bishopsteignton, Salcombe.

BROWN.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 9, Tipperlinn-road, Edinburgh, RODERICK GEORGE BROWN, S.S.C., eldest son of the late Marcus John Brown, S.S.C., of Musselburgh. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday), at Inveresk Churchyard, at 2.30 p.m. This is the only intimation and invitation.

BROWNE.—On Jan. 8, 1930, at Valparaiso, through accident, BASIL, fourth youngest son of the REV. ARTHUR BRIARLY BROWNE, of Marton-cum-Grafton, York, aged 58 years.

BRYMER.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Seldon, East Grinstead, MARIA ELLEN BRYMER, of Fairbourne, Ivydene-hill, S.E., aged 85. Funeral at Norwood Cemetery to-day (Tuesday), at 2.30.

BURLS.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at a nursing home in London, after a short illness, CLARA, the beloved wife of CHARLES MARTIN BURLS, of Tyne Cottage, Maidenhead. Funeral at Bishop's Stortford, noon to-day (Tuesday).

CARR.—On Jan. 11, 1930, FRANCES ISABELLA FARISH CARR, of Redleree, Hotham-road, Southwold, daughter of the late Rev. William Carr, Chaplain, H.E.I.C., aged 76. (Indian papers, please copy.)

DEATHS (continued)

CARTER.—On Jan. 10, 1930, at Rawalpindi, India, FREDERICK WILLIAM ARTHUR CARTER, M.C., Captain First King's Shropshire Light Infantry, of pneumonia, beloved only son of William Robson Carter and Mrs. Carter, Glendon Hall, Kettering, aged 33 years.

CHRIST.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at Cambridge House, Station-road, Herne Bay, following an accident, BETTINA ELGIE (*née* Wolff), widow of H. G. CHRIST, B.Sc., sometime assistant master at Dulwich College. Funeral at West Norwood Cemetery Thursday, Jan. 16, at 1.45.

COOTE.—On Jan. 9, 1930, at The Chalet, Woodlands-road, Bushey, Joseph, the beloved husband of ADA COOTE, aged 65. Funeral Golders Green Crematorium to-morrow (Wednesday), 2.30 p.m.

CREAMER.—On Jan. 10, 1930, JULIA CREAMER. Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium this (Tuesday) morning at 10.30. No flowers, by request.

DALE.—On Jan. 13, 1930, suddenly, at Craven House, Marine-parade, Worthing, BENJAMIN HAGUE DALE, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

de FERRANTI.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Zurich, SEBASTIAN ZIANI DE FERRANTI, D.Sc., F.R.S., the dearly loved husband of Gertrude Ziani de Ferranti. R.I.P.

DE SALIS.—On Jan. 11, 1930, LADY MARY ALICE, daughter of the sixth Earl of Macclesfield, greatly beloved wife of the Bishop of Taunton, aged 66. Funeral at Wells Cathedral to-morrow (Wednesday), 2.30.

EVANS.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 31, Palace-court, London, of pneumonia, after a short illness, SUSAN LAURA, widow of MAJOR JAMES LLEWELLYN EVANS, of Bath and Holylee, Peebleshire.

FISHER.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at "Roborough," Valley-road, Streatham, S.W., CLARA NOVELLO, widow of the Rev. M. H. FISHER, formerly Vicar of St. Stephen's-by-Launceston, Cornwall, aged 77.

FORGIE.—On Jan. 12, 1930, JOHN ALEXANDER FORGIE, of 56, Herbert-gardens, Willesden, N.W.10. Service at Bayswater Presbyterian Church, Westbourne-grove-terrace, at 11 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday). Interment Kensal Green Cemetery.

FOSTER.—On Jan. 11, 1930, at 106, Allerton-road, West Dulwich, S.E., ERNEST ALFRED FOSTER, aged 60 years. Funeral service at Hither Green Cemetery, Verdant-lane, S.E., to-morrow (Wednesday), at 12 noon.

GALTON.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at 25, Girdler's-road, W.14, GEORGE EDWARD, younger son of the late EDWARD EARL and ANNA MARIA GALTON, aged 84. Funeral Service at Brompton Parish Church to-morrow (Wednesday), at 12 noon. Interment at Hammersmith Cemetery.

GAYDON.—Quite suddenly, JOHN JAMES GAYDON, of 3, St. John's-mansions, Clapton-square, and 153, Fenchurch-street, aged 74.

GONIN.—On Jan. 12, 1930, at Earnley, Haywards Heath, Sussex, AUGUSTE WILLETT GONIN, Solicitor, of Hours 10-5, Saturdays excepted—Square, 87, Victoria-street, London. (Victoria 4048.)

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HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
APPLICATION FOR RECTIFICATION OF REGISTER
IN RE ASSOCIATED AUTOMATIC MACHINE CORPORATION, LIMITED

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE LUXMOORE)

His LORDSHIP made no order on this originating motion on behalf of Associated Automatic Machine Corporation, Limited, for an order that the share register might be rectified in the manner specified in an affidavit to be sworn in support of this application by Sir Basil Mayhew, a partner in the firm of Messrs. Barton, Mayhew, and Co., registrars of the corporation, and that notice of such rectification might be given to the Registrar of Companies, or that such other order might be made as the Court should deem fit.

Mr. TOPHAM, K.C. (with him Mr. J. B. Lindon), for the motion, said that this was an application under section 100 of the Companies Act, 1929, grave irregularities having been discovered in connexion with the transfers of shares in Associated Automatic Machine Corporation, Limited. The corporation was promoted by Austin Friars Investment Trust, Limited, and later it acquired a large number of shares in the British Automatic Company, Limited. It also had as a shareholding company other valuable businesses, but grave irregularities were discovered in connexion with the transfers of shares in the corporation.

The corporation had agreed with the Secretarial Services, Limited, which was connected closely with Austin Friars Investment Trust, Limited, that one of the Secretarial Services staff should act as secretary. That left all the registration arrangements in that company's hands. As a result, counsel said, matters of registration got into a very bad state. The work was not kept up to date, and a considerable number of transfers were passed, or certified, or otherwise executed or dealt with to such an extent that more than one million and a half of the Ordinary shares had been dealt in in excess of the issued capital of the company. The authorized capital was £1,500,000, divided into 500,000 7 per cent. Cumulative Convertible Preference shares of £1 each, as to which no question arose, and 4,000,000 Ordinary shares of 5s. each.

Shares numbering 1,693,033 had been dealt with in some way by transfers or otherwise in excess of the 4,000,000. When the directors in September last found what a state the register was in they employed Messrs. Barton, Mayhew and Co. and Messrs. Peat and Co. to investigate the matter and to report. A very careful and elaborate report had been made, and the result was that the corporation found that there were 987 transfers which had been executed that had not been entered in the register in any form. Those arrears of entry dated from July 23, 1929, and the irregularities seemed to have occurred shortly after that date. Of those 987 transfers, after very careful investigation, it would appear that 715 were perfectly regular and those had been entered in the register. The balance of the 987 gave rise to questions of considerable difficulty.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—What is your application?

Mr. TOPHAM.—To rectify the register and such other order as the Court may think fit.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—In the absence of the persons interested?

Mr. TOPHAM.—It is a peculiar position. Persons on the register have executed transfers and there is no doubt they have got to come off.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—There may be other persons to whom the same shares have been transferred.

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Mr. TOPHAM.—In a sense, yes, but there are all sorts of difficulties.

The great difficulty here, added counsel, was that the Stock Exchange had suspended all dealings in those shares, and it was of the greatest importance that some idea should be obtained which of those shares would be recognized and which not.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—But some other persons may claim them.

Mr. TOPHAM.—Then there was only one other alternative, and that would be to wind up, which would be very damaging to the corporation, as it had a going business.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE said that there were 272 transfers in dispute, but that he was not going to decide any question in the absence of the persons interested.

The matters in question, he added, seemed to fall into different classes. The directors knew what the different claims were, and could deal with them, but he did not think that he could.

Mr. TOPHAM said that the directors were the trustees and were asking for directions.

Counsel said that the corporation was incorporated on November 13, 1928, with registered offices at Pinners Hall, and the first board meeting was held the same day. Mr. John William Bland, of Secretarial Services, Limited, was appointed secretary. Secretarial Services was controlled by Mr. Hatry or Austin Friars Investment Trust or both. After the arrest of Hatry and others in connexion with criminal proceedings which were about to take place, the directors of the corporation made an investigation into the register of the company and they found things in a very bad state. Mr. Hatry had been appointed financial adviser to the corporation. On September 23 the agreement with Secretarial Services, Limited, was terminated, Mr. Bland, the secretary, resigned, and Mr. Cecil Jones was appointed secretary of the corporation, the offices of which were moved to Dorland House, Regent-street.

In the circumstances, it would be a great advantage if his Lordship could see his way to make some order on the motion.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE said that he could not determine the rights of parties in their absence. If there were a great number of them, many of them might, perhaps, be eliminated by correspondence. That was open to the directors. No doubt they were in a very difficult position. If he could give a decision which would not prejudice anyone's interest he would. He could not make any sort of order to bar claims of persons who were not before the Court. They must come in and state their views. Each case depended on the rights of those interested in the particular transfer and, if and when it became necessary to determine those rights, the question would have to be dealt with in properly constituted proceedings bringing the parties before the Court.

Mr. TOPHAM.—Then there will be no order on the motion, but the directors should communicate with the persons concerned and indicate to them the lines they intend to take.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—The directors are in the hands of very competent persons.

Mr. TOPHAM.—The Stock Exchange and everybody concerned are very anxious to get the matter settled.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—That does not allow me to go from the well-established rules of the administration of justice.

Mr. TOPHAM.—Having regard to the provisions of section 66 of the Act the directors are in very great difficulty as to the registration.

Mr. JUSTICE LUXMOORE.—There is no liability on them if they do not refuse and they have not refused to register. There will be no order on the motion. I do not dismiss it, nor do anything with it.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Clifford-Turner, Hopton and Lawrence.

A WINDING-UP ORDER
IN RE GILBERT AND KNOWLES, LIMITED

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE MAUGHAM)

His LORDSHIP made an order on the company's own petition for the compulsory winding-up of Gilbert and Knowles, Limited, of Pinners Hall, E.C.

Mr. CECIL TURNER, for the company, said that it owed £8,000 to a bank.

Mr. JUSTICE MAUGHAM said that he observed that the bank had lent the money to Austin Friars Trust, Limited, which was at present being wound up. He observed also that in the affidavit in support of the petition reference was made to a Mr. Daniels as being at present under remand, and to a Mr. Gialdini as being at present out of the country.

Mr. TURNER said that he did not know whether any representative of the company was present in Court.

A man who stated that he was the secretary of the company said that he agreed to a compulsory order.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Simmons and Simmons.

PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION
COLONEL AS CO-RESPONDENT
BRACKEN v. BRACKEN AND HOLMES

(*Before the* PRESIDENT)

This was the undefended suit of Major George Philip Bracken, of Ordnance Cottage, Purfleet, Essex, for the dissolution of his marriage with Mrs. Yvonne Dorine Bracken, *née* Rawlinson, on the ground of her adultery in July, 1929, at the Victoria Hotel, Northumberland-avenue, with Colonel William George Holmes.

The marriage took place on February 15, 1923, at the Fulham Register Office.

Mr. H. W. Barnard appeared for the petitioner.

His LORDSHIP granted a decree *nisi*, with costs against the co-respondent.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Walbrook and Hosken.

A VANISHED ETCHER
FORDHAM, F. L., PRESUMED DECEASED

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE BATESON)

This was an application for leave to swear the death of Mr. Frank Laycock Fordham, an etcher, of Upper Spring-road, Sheffield, who disappeared from that address in 1908.

Mr. H. B. D. GRAZEBROOK said that the application became necessary because Mr. Fordham had been entitled to a share of an estate which was now the subject of Chancery proceedings. Mr. Fordham was 40 years old when he disappeared, leaving a wife and two children. Police inquiries in the Sheffield district had failed to show any trace of what had become of him. In 1919 the widow married a solicitor, but she and her second husband and one of the children by the first husband were dead. As no will had been found, Mr. Fordham's estate would devolve as on intestacy when his death was presumed.

Mr. JUSTICE BATESON said that further inquiries should be made, and he adjourned the motion for a month in the hope that the publicity given to the case might reveal the man's fate.

Solicitors.—Montagu's and Cox and Cardale, for Messrs. Walpole Hiller and Son, Sheffield.

LAW NOTICES, JANUARY 14

Court of Appeal

COURT I. (The MASTER of the ROLLS, LAWRENCE and ROMER, L.JJ.).—At 10.30:—Appeals.—From the Chancery Division (Final List).—Re Kershaw (Kenyon v. Pratt) (pt. hd.) (2); Ladies' Hosiery and Underwear, Ltd. v. Parker (4); Booth v. Cotter (6).

COURT II. (SCRUTTON, GREER, and SLESSER, L.JJ.).—At 10.30:—Appeals.—From the King's Bench Division (Interlocutory List).—Re the Arbitration Act, 1889 (John Evans and Co. (London), Ltd. v. English Hop Growers, Ltd.) (pt. hd.) (4); Re the Petition of Right of the Civilian War Claimants' Assoc., Ltd. (5); re Same (6); re Same (7).

Chancery Division

COURT I. (EVE, J.).—At 10.30:—Procedure Summons (with witnesses).—Hood v. Blake.

COURT III. (CLAUSON, J.).—At 10.30:—Retained Action.—Witness List, Part II.—Godfrey v. Godfrey (pt. hd.).

COURT V. (MAUGHAM, J.).—At 10.30:—Retained Matters.—Witness List, Part II.—Re Letters Patent, Nos. 193,834, 193,866, and 199,771, and re the Patents and Designs Acts, 1907 to 1919, motion of the Respts., I. G. Farbenindustrie Aktiengesellschaft (pt. hd.) (8); re Letters Patent, Nos. 193,834, 193,866, and 199,771, and re the Patents and Designs Acts, 1907 to 1919, petition of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd. (pt. hd.) (9).

COURT II. (LUXMOORE, J.).—At 10.30:—Motions.—Short Cause.—The Kelso Motor Co. v. Martin; Batchelor v. Collett; Lloyd v. Jones; Bullock v. Stephenson; re Davies (Davies v. Davies); Brown v. Brown. Assigned Adjourned Summonses.—Re Cayless' Letters Patent and re Patents and Designs Acts, 1907 to 1919; re Miles' Letters Patent and re Patents and Designs Acts, 1907 to 1919; re Hey's Letters Patents and re Patents and Designs Acts, 1907 to 1919. Petitions.—Re the International Trade Exhibitions, Ltd., and the Companies Act, 1929; re the Anderton Co., Ltd., and re the Companies Act, 1929; re the General Life Assce. Co. and re the Companies Act, 1929; Shepherd v. Stansfield; re Cargo Fleet Iron Co., Ltd.; and re Companies Act, 1929; re George Ives' Will and Codicil; re Christopher Walton, dec. (Walton v. Walton); re Rotax (Motor Accessories), Ltd., and re Companies Act, 1929; re John Vivian, dec., and re Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845 (restored). Adjourned Summons.—Re George Ives, dec. (Oliver v. Fuller).

COURT IV. (FARWELL, J.).—At 10.30:—Witness List, Part II.—Oliver v. Oliver (pt. hd.) (10); Stratford-upon-Avon Guild, Ltd. v. Osborne (9).

LORD CHANCELLOR'S COURT (BENNETT, J.).—At 10.30:—Motions.—Short Cause.—Westminster Bank Ltd. v. Gray. Procedure Summonses.—Re Butler (Butler v. Butler); re Same (Same v. Same); re Powell (Powell v. Powell); Mallards, Ltd. v. Gibbons Bros. "Rotary" Co., Ltd. Adjourned Summons.—British United Shoe Machinery Co., Ltd. v. Lambert Howarth and Sons, Ltd. (1).

King's Bench Division

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE'S COURT (Divisional Court) (the LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, SWIFT and TALBOT, JJ.).—At 10.30:—Crown Paper.—For Judgment.—The King v. Minister of Health (ex parte Yaffe) (c.a.v. Nov. 5, 1929).

COURT V. (Divisional Court) (TALBOT and CHARLES, JJ.).—Not before 11.30:—Motion.—Fisher v. Jennings Bros., Ltd. (security for costs) (11). Civil Paper.—Robertson v. Harman (2); Robertson v. Harman (3); Brentnall and Cleland v. Hemey and anr. (4).

COURT VII. (HORRIDGE, J.).—At 10.30:—Special Juries.—Attorney-Gen. v. the Walkergate Press, Ltd. (pt. hd.) (335); Attorney-Gen. v. Carlton (pt. hd.) (336); Attorney-Gen. v. Bicombell (pt. hd.) (327); Scman v. International Cinematograph Corpn., Ltd. (270).

COURT IX. (ROWLATT, J.).—At 10.30:—Non-Jury.—Wasserman v. Levy and ors. (pt. hd.) (68).

COURT I. (SWIFT, J.).—Not before 11.30:—Order xiv., Rule 8A.—Mappin and Webb, Ltd. v. Goldberger (822). Non-Juries.—Widnes Foundry (1925), Ltd. v. Same; Parson and Crosland, Ltd. v. Upper Forest, &c., Ltd.; C. T. Bowring and Co., Ltd. v. the Amsterdam-London Insce. Co.; British and Benningtons, Ltd. v. C. F. Beadell. Not Attended by Counsel.—Canadian Transport Co., Ltd. v. Burt Boulton and Hayward; Fabrique Internationale, &c. v. Brit. Steam Nav. Co.; F. Hughes and Co. v. Royal Exchange Assurance. Not before 11:—Non-Jury.—Shore v. Henry and ors. (pt. hd.) (287).

COURT III. (HUMPHREYS, J.).—At 10.30:—Common Juries.—Fabb v. L.G.O. Co., Ltd. (pt. hd.) (233); Litera v. Welch (265); Thompson and ors. v. Morley (267).

COURT II. (MACNAGHTEN, J.).—At 10.30:—Order xiv., Rule 8A.—Guttridge v. Chirnian (298). Non-Jury.—Opperman Gears, Ltd. v. International Kreemaka Co., Ltd. (297).

Jurors

Special jurors summoned for King's Bench Court VII. must attend in that Court at 10.15.

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Common jurors summoned for King's Bench Court V. must attend in King's Bench Court IV. at 10.

Railway and Canal Commission

KING'S BENCH COURT VI. (MACKINNON, J., SIR LEWIS COWARD, K.C., and SIR FRANCIS TAYLOR, K.C.).—At 10.30:—Re an Application of Anglo-American Oil Co., Ltd. (Applts.) against the Manchester Ship Canal Co. (Respts.) (pt. hd.).

Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division

COURT II. (The PRESIDENT and BATESON, J.).—At 10.30:—Divisional Court.—Divorce.—Seddon, J. W. v. Seddon, M.; Ebert, N. v. Ebert, A. V.; Heck, G. J. v. Meeks, C.; Warburton, W. H. v. Warburton, M.; Jubb, V. v. Jubb, W. S.; Spivack, G. v. Spivack, H. B.; Norris, G. v. Norris, G. E.; Ward, G. v. Ward, N.; Brown, E. v. Brown, H.

COURT I. (HILL, J.).—At 10.30:—Admiralty.—Joseph Button.—1928. Folio 424 (Owners of Schooner Matilda v. Owners of Steam Trawler Joseph Button), action for trial with witnesses (with Trinity Masters) (pt. hd.).

Official Referees

COURT I.—R.C.J., No. 756 (SIR FRANCIS NEWBOLT, K.C.).—At 10.30:—Young v. Bolsom.

COURT II.—R.C.J., No. 224 (Mr. G. A. SCOTT).—At 10.30:—British Oak Insce. Co., Ltd. v. Sayles.

COURT III.—R.C.J., No. 693 (Mr. E. W. HANSELL, K.C.).—At 10.30:—Minchin v. Bromet; Potter and Co. v. Mayor, &c., of Hull (pt. hd.); Same v. Same (pt. hd.).

Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy-buildings, Carey-street, Lincoln's Inn.

COURT I. (REGISTRAR MELLOR).—At 11:—Pyke, M.A.; Rose, F. E. and A. (orse. Sidney Wood and Co.); Bertmutter, K.; Sydenham, A. J.; Phillips, F. C. (orse. Phillips, F. C.); Sussman, G. (orse. Simpson, S.); Sharpin, W. S.; Pearce-Brown, C. (orse. Cyril, Hall and Co.); Blakiston v. Blakiston and Lawrence; Ayland, A. A. v. Ayland, J.; Tillman, H. v. Tillman, H. A. V.; Davis, D. A. M. v. Davis, E. (Green Respt.); Astill v. Astill and Styles; Peet v. Peet and French; Hamper v. Hamper and Leutchford; Godfrey v. Godfrey and Frankiss; Methuen v. Methuen and MacCready; Goddard, M. v. Goddard, W. W.; Cox v. Cox and Murray; Price, M. R. v. Price, A. T.; Hopkinson v. Hopkinson and Croft; Warner v. Warner and Wheeler; Simpson v. Simpson and Coddington; Fowler, E. M. v. Fowler, J. H.; Hills, J. M. v. Hills, F. E.; Baldwin v. Baldwin and Webber; Andrews v. Andrews and Blake; Ireland Blackburne, E. M. v. Ireland Blackburne, J. L.; Green v. Green and Dolding; Harris v. Harris and Lane; Peck v. Peck and Leins; Carlton v. Carlton and Grey; Shaw, M. E. v. Shaw, J. H.; Layton v. Layton and Reed; Pickering, R. G. M. v. Pickering, R. J.; Hunter v. Hunter and Walton; Beadle, L. v. Beadle, J. O.; Fisher, A. L. v. Fisher, T. F.; Knubley v. Knubley and Coombes; Bonnie v. Bonnie and Miller; Whetstone, G. v. Whetstone, J. Smith v. Smith and Foster-Wood; Wood, F. W.; Sheppard v. Sheppard and Hoon; Collyer v. Collyer and Clough; Llewellyn, C. v. Llewellyn, W.; Sharpe, J. v. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs.; Blake, G. W. v. Blake, B.; Ripley, S. v. Ripley, G. A. W.; Howitt, A. v. Howitt and O'Connell; Williams v. Williams and Reece; Whitfield v. Whitfield and Brown; Collyer, H. v. Collyer, D. M.; Bailey v. Bailey (orse. Haddlow); Naylor v. Naylor and Miller; Johnson, B. M. v. Johnson, S. C.; Harding, R. L. v. Harding, F. A.; Monk v. Monk and Perry; Riley v. Riley (orse. Watts); Sweeting, A. V. v. Sweeting, G.; Sweeting v. Sweeting and Greenwood; Vollans, A. v. Vollans, A. V. B.; Marks, F. v. Marks, P.; Humphries, E. G. K. v. Humphries, A. E.; Bowman, F. v. Bowman, J. H. Webber intervening; Crouch, H. W. H. v. Crouch, C.; Murphy, A. S. v. Murphy, E. J.; Morris, M. v. Morris, A. L.; Watson, S. B. v. Watson, I.; Marrison v. Marrison and Chapman; Wallinger v. Wallinger and Blank; Prince, E. v. Prince, H.; Eldridge, N. M. v. Eldridge, H. F.; Carroll, S. A. v. Carroll, Arnold v. Arnold and Barnes; Stevenson, J. W. v. Stevenson, J. W.; Judge, A. L. v. Judge, C. E.; Taylor, M. W. v. Taylor, E. J.; Organ v. Organ and Burrell; Machin v. Machin and Machin and Hardy; Orr, H. D. G. v. Orr, S. M.; Barry v. Barry and Mullock; Wadlow v. Wadlow and Redman; Elliott, R. T. v. Elliott, T. Young; Young, G. E.; Prior v. Prior and Strong; Scott, K. V. v. Scott, L. A.; Hoon, A. M. v. Hoon, F. V. T.; Shreeve, L. M. v. Shreeve, A. V.; Allen, L. v. Allen, H.; Jones, R. M. L. v. Jones, L. J.; Davies, E. v. Davies, G. M.; Etheridge, O. v. Etheridge, C. J.; Franklin v. Franklin and James; Hall, F. A. V. v. Hall, E. C.; Parsons v. Parsons and Etheridge; Smallwood, F. v. Smallwood, C. R.; Northcote, C. v. Northcote, A. F. S.; Richards, D. G. W. v. Richards, I. G.; Gillenwater, N. C. v. Gillenwater, F.; Morgans, E. J. v. Morgans, D.; Horton v. Horton and Cheriff cited as Sheriff; Edmonds, G. C. v. Edmonds, R. W.; Edmonds v. Edmonds and Houghton; Jones v. Jones and Smith; Pierce v. Pierce and Barron; Wales v. Wales and Beman; Tarr, K. M. v. Tarr, C. J. (Cormack, Lulham, Paul and Mellotte cited as Solicitors parties cited); Cooper, H. M. F. v. Cooper, J. A.; Singer, E. v. Singer, I.; Dudman v. Dudman. Charles and Dudman; Anson, H. S. v. Anson, H. A.; Wingate v. Wingate and Croft; Sharp, S. v. Sharp, A. C.; Faire orse. Duffus v. Faire; Hewett v. Hewett and Dupin; Beasley, K. E. v. Beasley, E. M.; Lyvesley, E. M. J. v. Lyvesley, H.; Marshall, A. v. Marshall, C. A.; Paton v. Paton and Carling; Maxted, E. v. Maxted, C. B.; Croft, G. F. v. Croft, A. B.; Davies, O. A. v. Davies, T. W.; Burrow, E. v. Burrow, A.; Cases in District Registries.—King, S. A. v. King, R. J.; Bennett, L. E. v. Bennett, F.; Blumenthal v. Blumenthal and Rogers; Parker v. Parker and Jacobs; Tetley, M. v. Tetley, J. W.; Scott, M. v. Scott, R.; Reynolds v. Reynolds and Gahan; Holmquist, G. E. v. Holmquist, W. F. B.; Graham, D. B. v. Graham, A. E.; Backway, A. v. Backway, W. T.; Coffin, O. v. Coffin, G.; Jakins, E. M. v. Jakins, H.; Harding v. Harding and Winship; Peacock, M. H. v. Peacock, J.; Davies, B. M. v. Davies, W. G.; Mason, L. v. Mason, I.; Fox, V. v. Fox, F.; White, F. W. v. White, H. A.; Ford, Q. M. v. Ford, A. C.; Ellerton v. Ellerton and Butler; Miller, M. v. Miller, R.; Gander, M. S. v. Gander, H. T.; Barnfather v. Barnfather and Barnfather; Chapman v. Chapman and Lackham; Ashworth v. Ashworth and Kay; Dennis v. Dennis and Quinn; Scales, F. M. v. Scales, T. W.; Todd v. Todd and Gibson.

MR. JUSTICE MAUGHAM made orders in the usual form yesterday for the compulsory winding-up of Stopitself Pram Brake and General Novelties, Limited; Parvo Products, Limited; Northwestern Farmers' Dairies, Limited; Driflnlaw, Limited; Queensland Printing Works Co., Limited; H. Yudt, Limited; and Walden and King, Limited.

£140 FINE FOR SELLING DRINK WITHOUT LICENCE

For selling intoxicants without a licence at the Elven Hedges Club, St. Martin's-street, W.C., ELVEN HEDGES, an American music-hall artist, of Berners-street, W., was at Bow-street Police Court yesterday, before Sir Chartres Biron, fined £140 and ordered to pay £15 15s. costs, and ANNIE HANSELL, cloak-room attendant at the club, was fined £3. It was stated that the premises were already disqualified from being used as a club. Three women and two men who were summoned for illegally consuming intoxicants at the club were each fined 40s. They were FRANCES MCCANN, Adam-street, Portman-square, W.; MAISIE MAJOR, Great Titchfield-street, W.; BERTHA MERCADO, Belgrave-road, Victoria; ALEXANDER LESTER, Windmill-street, Tottenham Court-road; and GEORGE PERAIRA, Maple-street, W.C. Mr. W. L. Sanders, prosecuting, said that on November 22 a police officer in plain clothes attempted to gain admission. He was told that only members were admitted, but after some conversation he was allowed in on payment of 5s. He was told that he could get a drink in the cloak-room, and on going there he found 15 or 20 being supplied with whisky. The policeman had a drink, and, at the suggestion of a young woman, also bought one for Hedges. The drinks were supplied by Inspector Curtis and other officers in the early morning of December 7. Five persons were then consuming whisky.

MATRIMONIAL CAUSES AT SHREWSBURY

Jurisdiction in matrimonial causes, by a new rule of the Supreme Court, has, from April 1 next, been extended to Mr. Allan Gibson Hughes, Shrewsbury, as District Registrar of the High Court of Justice.

Two brothers, Benjamin and Mark Brilliant, sentenced by the Old-street magistrate to three months' and one month's imprisonment with hard labour respectively for inflicting grievous bodily harm on Mark Berliner, a fellow-stallholder, in Roman-road, Bow, at London Sessions on Friday successfully appealed against the convictions and sentences.

Central Criminal Court

COURT I. (The RECORDER OF LONDON).—At 11:—(1) Calling of Grand Jury; (2) For Trial (see note below).

COURT II.—Calling of Petty Jurors, at 11.15.

COURT IV. (JUDGE GREGORY).—At 2:—For Sentence.—H. P. J. Hartman. For Trial.—(1) T. R. Sprague, H. P. J. Hartman, W. E. Hampton, S. A. Scanlan, F. Clarke.

NOTE.—Cases in which True Bills are returned by the Grand Jury may be added to the list.

Companies

CHANCERY DIVISION.—Companies Court (REGISTRAR STIEBEL).—In Chamber.—Motion 48.—At 11:—Ex parte Applications. At 11.15:—Beecham Trust, Ltd.; Otz and Co., Ltd. At 11.30:—City Sale and Exchange, Ltd.; Victorian Steam Fish Co., Ltd.; Kirk and Randall, Ltd. (Barclays Bank, Ltd. v. Kirk and Randall, Ltd.); Thompson, McKay, and Co., Ltd. At 12:—Horsley Kilburn Cullbert Co., Ltd.; Greater Britain Insurance Cor

Sporting News

RACING

DERBY MEETING

FIVE FAVOURITES WIN

(FROM OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT)

Five first favourites were successful yesterday afternoon at Derby, when the January Meeting was begun in pleasant weather. The going, not unnaturally, was heavy, and there was a slight mist at the far end of the course which prevented some of the running from being seen.

The most valuable race decided during the afternoon was the Derby Hurdle, for which Mrs. J. Joel's Blackmoor was made favourite. So far as I can find out this well-bred but very disappointing horse had never won before over hurdles, while his record under Jockey Club Rules was also far from good. He was going quite well for a long way yesterday, but it was obvious some way from the finish that he would not win, and in the end he finished seventh. After Tin o' Mint had made the running for nearly a mile he was passed by Pompion, who came into the Straight in front, and for a time promised to win. He was challenged approaching the last hurdles by Forbra and Swashbuckler, and failing, as at Manchester, to produce a finishing burst of speed, was beaten into third place behind Forbra and Swashbuckler, the former of whom won by two lengths. Pompion and Gourd ran truly to their Manchester form. Pompion, who belongs to Mr. Rowson and Mr. Cooper, jumped well, and might make a good steeplechaser, for his lack of finishing speed would not be so severe a handicap over fences as it is over hurdles.

F. Wootton, who trains for his brother, Mr. S. Wootton, saddled two horses during the afternoon, Family Hope and Porporino, the former in the first race of the afternoon and the latter in the last event on the programme. Each was ridden by Ingham, each started favourite, and each won with ease. Neither was too prominent in the early part of his race, but there was no doubt in either case as to the result of the race when the last hurdles were being approached. Family Hope won by eight lengths and Porporino by 10. Suckley was an even more decisive winner of the Burton Steeplechase, run over three miles, for he was successful by 15 lengths. Merrivale II., who has yet to win a race, was in front until the Straight was reached, when Speck, on Suckley, decided that the pace was not good enough and came away to win as he liked from Gerytones, with Merrivale II. third. The last named has been entered once more for the National Hunt Steeplechase, in which race he finished fourth in 1928.

Privit's Pride, who had won over hurdles at the last meeting at Haydock Park, had evidently been well tried over fences, for he was always a good favourite for the Novices' Steeplechase, for which Royal Scot was not started. Those people who had a financial interest in the running of Privit's Pride could never have had any need for anxiety, for he led all the way and won by 10 lengths. He jumped exceptionally well for a novice and will win again over fences. He is by Zria, who has sired many good steeplechasers. Scorpion, who was second, showed promise as a steeplechaser, and a race over fences should be found which he can win in the near future. Odds were laid on Magic Bard to win the Matlock Selling Steeplechase. He won, but there was a time when he was so far behind the leaders that as much as 2 to 1 was offered against his chance. The meeting will be concluded this afternoon.

TO-DAY'S PROSPECTS

ASTON SELLING HURDLE (2m.).—Zadig won last time out, but his previous form was very moderate, and, taking a line through Merryvale, he does not seem so well handicapped as Connie Duff, who, in turn, is not quite so well in here as The Philosopher, who this time is to be ridden by K. Piggott. So far as I can find out THE PHILOSOPHER has run only twice over hurdles, being unplaced the first time and failing the second time. The opposition here is so weak that he may well win.

LOCKINGTON SELLING STEEPLECHASE (2m.).—On some form Odin has quite a good chance here. Pendarves's selected from FitzPicton and Little Wavelet should run well, but if he reproduces his Newbury form the probable winner seems to me to be START AGAIN, who would have won at Newbury if he had not fallen at the last fence in the race won by Cylvida.

BRIDADSALL STEEPLECHASE (3m.).—On his best form, even with his big weight, Donzelon must have a good chance. Magic Moon will no doubt be backed, once more, but he seems always to fall and for that reason is best left alone until he has won a race. Gibus apparently has not had a race over fences since March 1, 1928, but on his form then seems to be very well in here. Sardonyx also may run well. At the weights, provided that he is fit and well, the winner seems to me to be GIBUS.

BERKELEY STEEPLECHASE (2m.).—Starbox has not had a race for nearly a year, but on his form of last spring he has a fair chance here. I do not think, however, at the weights, that he should beat BLARIS, who is very useful indeed over the distance of this race.

ROUND THE WORLD HURDLE (2m. 6f.).—At the changed weights on their Birmingham form Sanpere has not so good a chance here as Royal Bower, who, on that running, should again beat Caramond and Playtoi. It is a long time since Dromore or Kyra showed any form, but a few years ago both were useful in this company. ROYAL BOWER seems to me the best selection.

GRANGEWOOD HURDLE (2m.).—Mittagong and Cheerio are rather better-class animals than the others engaged, but so far neither has shown in public any ability as a hurdler, although Mittagong did not perform too badly in a hurdle race at Hurst Park on Saturday. Appledore ran well at Manchester in the race won by Stranathro. Perhaps APPLEDORE will win, but this seems to me essentially a race to be left to the market.

GUARDIAN PARI-MUTUEL PRICES

(2s. UNIT.—STAKE AND WINNING)

1.0.—Family Hope, Win 11s. 6d., Place 6s. 6d.; Inspired, Place 7s.; Bluebeard, Place 7s. 3d.

1.30.—Magic Bard, Win 2s. 6d., Place 2s. 3d.; Auto Giro, Place 2s. 3d.

2.0.—Suckley, Win 4s., Place 2s. 3d.; Gerytones, Place 2s. 3d.

2.30.—Privit's Pride, Win 7s. 3d.; Place 2s. 6d.; Scorpion, Place 4s. 9d.; Cavin, Place 5s. 6d.

3.0.—Forbra, Win 11s., Place 3s. 9d.; Swashbuckler, Place 3s. 6d.; Gourd, Place 3s. 3d.

3.30.—Porporino, Win 22s., Place 6s.; Rocky Cape, Place 12s. 6d.; Black Armstrong, Place 20s.

African Double.—2.0 Suckley and 3.0 Forbra. £35 16s. to £1.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

CHESTER VASE.—Friese, at 9 a.m. yesterday.

DERBY.—LINGFIELD PARK MEETING

SUSSEX SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE.—Golden Ermine, Shining Light.

BURSTOW DOUBLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE (Class I.).—Bachelor.

BURSTOW DOUBLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE (Class II.).—Manser's Pride, Soldier's Joy, The Moy, Irina.

LINGFIELD PARK JANUARY MEETING ENGAGEMENTS.—Richmond II.

LEICESTER MEETING

MAPPERLEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Lucidor, Gate Book.

JANUARY HANDICAP HURDLE.—Two Royals.

WOBURN STEEPLECHASE.—Crousetha.

STEVENS' HANDICAP HURDLE.—Donaghades.

NEWBURY MEETING

WYCHELL HANDICAP HURDLE.—Rinckle.

WINCHESTER HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Newsboy.

MODERATE HANDICAP HURDLE.—Two Royals, Crousetha.

WINDSOR MEETING

JOURDEY'S END STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP).—Gate Book.

ROYAL HANDICAP HURDLE.—Two Royals.

ST. LEONARDS HANDICAP HURDLE.—Rinckle.

MISCELLANEOUS

BRENTFORD HANDICAP HURDLE, KEMPTON PARK.—Two Royals.

STAINES LONG-DISTANCE HANDICAP HURDLE, KEMPTON PARK.—Rinckle.

ROUND THE WORLD HANDICAP HURDLE, DERBY.—Donaghades.

DERBY RESULTS

1.0 (12.59).—The HIGH PEAK SELLING HURDLE of 100 sovs; for four-year-olds. Two miles.

FAMILY HOPE, b or br c, by Son-in-Law—Moonfleet (Mr. S. Wootton), 11st. 11lb.....S. Ingham 1
INSPIRED, br g, by Arion—Cassandra (Mr. A. W. Greenwood), 11st. 11lb.....A. Wandby 2
BLUEBEARD, bl g, by Stedfast—Mopsa (Captain E. F. Angier), 11st. 11lb.....F. Taylor 3
Windore (Mr. G. W. Hands), 11st. 5lb.....W. Speck 0
Virgil's Potion (Mr. J. Aitken), 10st. 10lb.....W. Metcalfe 0
Lady Wendeleen (Mr. H. J. Brueton), 11st. 11lb.....G. Goswell 0
Rose Sabreur (Mr. P. Hands), 11st. 11lb.....R. Thrale 0
B.H.P. (Mr. P. Higgins), 10st. 10lb.....R. Townsend 0
Golden Eye (Mrs. F. M. Kershaw), 11st. 11lb.....R. Everett 0
Wilfred (Mr. Lyall), 11st. 11lb.....R. Lyall 0
Irish Moor (Mr. Nichols), 11st. 11lb.....S. Molcaster 0
Top Note (Mr. J. Pendarves), 11st. 11lb...W. Gurney 0
Gambola (Mr. H. Ribbetson), 11st. 11lb...W. Wilson 0
Sufferance (Lieut.-Colonel H. F. Sykes), 11st. 11lb.....K. Piggott 0
Blacktie (Mr. C. F. Wadlow), 11st. 11lb...J. Hanbey 0

(Winner trained by F. Wootton, at Epsom)

BETTING.—13 to 8 agst Family Hope, 4 to 1 Beau Sabreur, 6 to 1 Bluebeard, 7 to 1 Top Note and Wilfred, 100 to 8 Virgil's Potion, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

Won by eight lengths; a length separated second and third. Golden Eye was fourth and Virgil's Potion last.

1.30 (1.29).—The MATLOCK SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

MAGIC BARD, ch g, by Poet Laureate—Golden Fairy (Mr. H. Deterding), aged, 11st. 11lb.....Owner 1
AUTO GIRO, br g, by St. Girons, dam by Captain Jack (Mr. G. C. Prye-Rice), 5 yrs, 10st.....J. Hanbey 2
SWEET HOME, br g, by Rathdennis—Take Me Home (Major A. Hodgin), aged, 10st. 7lb.....T. Mason 3
Chicot (Mr. G. T. Urwin), aged, 11st. 5lb...R. Lyall 0
Tullehouse (Mr. R. Renton), aged, 11st. 3lb.....A. Wandby 0

(Winner trained by R. Payne, at Weedon)

BETTING.—11 to 10 on Magic Bard, 7 to 2 agst Chicot, 11 to 2 Auto Giro, 8 to 1 Sweet Home, 100 to 8 agst Tullehouse.

Won by three lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Chicot was the only other to finish.

Winner bought in for 160 guineas.

2.0 (2.1).—The BURTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Three miles.

SUCKLEY, b m, by Regent—Ankerdine (Mr. T. J. Walker), aged, 10st. 10lb.....W. Speck 1
GERYTONES, b g, by Spearmint—Grecian Lady (Mrs. H. M. Hollins), aged, 11st. 11lb.....R. Everett 2
MERRIVALE II., b g, by Rising Flour—The Vale (Lord Westmorland), aged, 10st. 5lb.....F. Brookes 3
Miss Gris (Major H. Musker), aged, 10st. 12lb.....H. Cooper 0
Crockanoir (Mr. H. S. Henderson), aged, 11st. 3lb.....Parvin 0
Blennerhasset (Mr. Parke), aged, 10st. 12lb.....Mr. Dutton 0
Mount Kenya (Major Buxton), aged, 10st. (car. 10st. 11lb.).....S. Mulcaster 0

(Winner trained by Rimell, at Kinnersley)

BETTING.—2 to 1 agst Suckley, 5 to 2 Crockanoir, 4 to 1 Gerytones, 6 to 1 Merrivale II., 100 to 7 each agst the others.

Won by 15 lengths; six lengths separated second and third. Crockanoir was the only other to finish.

2.30 (2.30).—The NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

PRIVIT'S PRIDE, ch g, by Zria—Privit (Mr. W. R. Smith), aged, 12st.....A. Wandby 1
SCORPION, ch g, by Sting, dam by Frontino (Miss E. B. C. Laidlaw), 6 yrs, 11st. 7lb...K. Piggott 2
GAVIN, b g, by Lomond—Miss Orby (Mr. W. H. Spencer), aged, 11st. 9lb.....Mr. Clark 3
Golden Buckles (Mr. A. M. Woodford), aged, 12st.....W. Speck 0
Condamine (Captain A. S. Wilson), 5 yrs, 11st. 9lb.....P. O'Hara 0
Redan (Sir G. Abercromby), aged, 11st. 7lb.....T. Costello 0
Tawny (Mr. C. M. Ainsworth), 6 yrs, 11st. 2lb.....Owner 0
Gawsforth (Mr. H. Beckett), 6 yrs, 11st. 2lb.....C. Boulton 0
Derrygraph (Lady B. Gilbert), 6 yrs, 11st. 7lb.....C. Ryan 0
Delaville (Mr. J. B. Snow), 6 yrs, 11st. 2lb.....P. Coleman 0

(Winner trained by Peacock, at Middleham)

BETTING.—7 to 4 agst Privit's Pride, 11 to 4 Golden Buckles, 4 to 1 Scorpion, 100 to 7 each agst the others.

Won by 10 lengths; five lengths separated second and third. Redan was fourth and Derrygraph last.

3.0 (3.1).—The DERBY HANDICAP HURDLE of 200 sovs. Two miles.

FORBRA, b g, by Foresight—Thymbra (Mr. H. G. Hunt), 5 yrs, 11st. 3lb.....W. Parvin 1
SWASHBUCKLER, br g, by Flamboyant—Court Guide (Major J. A. Coats), 5 yrs, 11st. 11lb.....A. Tannock 2
POMPION, b g, by Pommern—Predith (Mr. J. E. Rowson), 6 yrs, 10st. 2lb.....J. Walsh 3
Potocki (Lieutenant-Colonel T. C. Dunlop), 5yrs, 12st. 2lb.....J. Mason 0
Ring Stealer (Mr. W. J. Gresson), aged, 12st. 2lb.....J. Hanbey 0
Tin o' Mint (Mr. A. Gemmell), 5 yrs, 11st. 7lb.....T. Leader 0
Gourd (Lord Ellesmere), 5 yrs, 11st. 2lb. A. Wandby 0
Bucene (Mr. H. J. Brueton), aged, 10st. 11lb.....G. Goswell 0
Andorra (Mr. T. F. Hooley), aged, 10st. 5lb.....S. Mulcaster 0
Blackmoor (Mrs. J. B. Joel), aged, 10st. 7lb.....T. Cullinan 0

(Winner trained by Hunt, at Uppingham)

BETTING.—3 to 1 agst Blackmoor, 7 to 2 Pompion, 4 to 1 Swashbuckler, 6 to 1 Gourd, 7 to 1 each Tin o' Mint and Forbra, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

Won by two lengths; a similar distance separated second and third. Gourd was fourth and Potocki last.

3.30 (3.30).—The ETWALL HURDLE of 100 sovs.; for four-year-olds. Two miles.

PORPORINO, ch g, by Mighty Power—Princess Theio (Mr. S. Wootton), 10st. 5lb. S. Ingham 1
ROCKY CAPE, b g, by Haki—Willins (Mrs. A. Dale), 10st. 5lb.....F. Brookes 2
BLACK ARMSTRONG, br c, by Bucks Husar—Medalia (Mr. J. Livingston), 10st. 5lb.....T. Moreau 3
Old Ann (Mr. H. J. Brueton), 10st. 5lb.....K. Piggott 0
Lion's Lair (Mr. W. Charters), 10st. 5lb.....W. Gurney 0
Golden Gauntlet (Mr. I. Z. Davis), 10st. 5lb. E. Foster 0
Hadji Baba (Mr. G. Fenwick), 10st. 5lb.....R. Lyall 0
Tyrone (Mr. W. J. Gale), 10st. 5lb.....A. Wandby 0
Meyerling (Mr. A. E. MacColl), 10st. 5lb. R. Everett 0
Sept (Mr. L. Jones), 10st. 5lb.....A. Waudby 0
Turgite (Mrs. H. Levy), 10st. 5lb.....W. Parvin 0
El-Caro (Captain G. Lockett), 10st.....Hardy 0
Warning (Mr. P. Oppenheim), 10st. 5lb. J. Hanbey 0
Winnersh (Sir W. Price), 10st. 5lb.....Ward 0
Fly Tea (Mr. H. Welch), 10st. 5lb. F. Taylor 0
Rossmint (Captain A. S. Wilson), 10st. 5lb. P. O'Hara 0

(Winner trained by F. Wootton, at Epsom)

BETTING.—7 to 4 agst Porporino, 3 to 1 Winnersh, 5 to 1 Lion's Lair, 8 to 1 Rocky Cape, 10 to 1 Golden Gauntlet, 100 to 7 Rossmint, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

Won by 10 lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Winnersh was fourth and Hadji Baba last.

Olaf bolted before the start and did not come under the starter's orders.

DERBY PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

1.0.—The ASTON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs st lb
BANTLING (Lord Lurgashall) H. A. Brown	6 12 7
CRAIL (Mrs. F. W. R. Lake).....Burns	a 12 3
ISLAND (Mrs. N. Brownlee).....Smithers	a 12 3
BRIGHT LODGE (Mrs. E. Brock).....Pendarves	a 12 3
ZADIG (Miss H. Cooper).....Larkin	a 12 3
VIRA (Mr. T. Hands).....Thrale	a 12 3
DONALD D'ARCHEY (Mr. S. Wootton) F. Wootton	5 11 13
ASTABANUS (Mr. C. S. Green).....Cox	5 11 13
LAVANDE (Mr. J. Warner).....O. Anthony	6 11 13
DILLY (Mr. L. E. Cribbin).....Cribbin	6 11 13
SINKIN (Mr. F. Armstrong).....F. Armstrong	a 11 10
HEAR (Mr. W. Carr).....Carr	a 11 10
ROBERT MARCH (Mr. R. C. Pearson) C. Piggott	a 11 9
aTHE PHILOSOPHER (Mr. C. Piggott) C. Piggott	a 11 9
GOLD STAR (Mr. J. J. Wint).....Wint	a 11 9
BEST OF LUCK (Mr. F. S. Green).....Cox	5 11 9
HONEY'S GLEN (Lord Milton).....F. Hartigan	5 11 9
HONEY LOMOND (Miss K. Terry).....Cockton	4 11 7
aBALLYKINGLE (Mr. W. F. Merrell).....R. Payne	a 11 7
NORBURY (Mr. P. Hutsby).....Bullock	a 11 7
VIC'S CHOICE (Mr. F. G. de Mestre).....De Mestre	a 11 7
MERSEY TUNNEL (Mrs. F. G. Hurt).....Hurt	6 11 5
SUNDAY RAMBLER (Mr. P. Higgins) McGuigan	a 11 5
NORTH COAST (Mr. A. Edwards).....Edwards	a 11 5
JAMOSKA (Mr. G. Elliott).....Sutcliffe	a 11 5
CROOKEN LEAP (Mr. F. P. Gilbert).....Gilbert	6 10 13
MENARLO (Captain J. Rogerson).....Pease	6 10 13
HIS EXCELLENCY (Mr. W. Lister).....Barker	a 10 12
ROYAL RETURN (Mr. A. A. Brown) H. A. Brown	5 10 10
MORILL (Sir G. Abercrombie).....Pigott	5 10 10
aSILVER RIVER (Mr. F. Manning).....R. Payne	a 10 10
SUNNY GLEN (Mr. D. D. Stewart)...D. Stewart	5 10 10
FLYING FLAG (693 Mr. Parkinson) G. Armstrong	5 10 10
CAROS (Mr. D. C. Dickson).....Coulthwaite	6 10 9
SKIPTON (Mr. H. Davies).....J. Hall	5 10 9
IDOLATRY (Mr. C. W. Brook).....R. Thompson	a 10 9
DONNIE DUFF (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown	5 10 9
aCAPRICIUM (Mr. J. Pendarves).....Pendarves	6 10 9
CLINCHER (Mr. J. Moseby).....Moseby	a 10 9
GLEN OF IMAAL (Mr. H. J. Brueton)..... Chamberlain	6 10 0
aBARKHAM SQUARE (Mr. A. W. Greenwood)..... Benton	a 10 0
THE MERCHANT (Mr. F. G. Kimberley) Bullock	a 10 0
aGEORGE CRAG (Mr. J. C. Whiteman).....Drake	a 10 0
CHIMPANZEE (Mr. G. A. Burton).....Holder	a 10 0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

ZADIG, W. Stott; THE PHILOSOPHER, K. Piggott; MENARLO, S. Duffy; SKIPTON, G. Wilson; CONNIE DUFF, P. Kelly; CAPRICIUM, F. Brookes; GLEN OF IMAAL, E. Foster; BARKHAM SQUARE, A. Waudby; GEORGE CRAG, J. Handley; ROSY'S GLEN, —.

1.30.—The LOCKINGTON SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs st lb
aMON PERE (Mr. J. B. Balding)...G. Balding	a 12 7
THAT MATCH (Mr. J. B. Balding)...G. Balding	a 12 7
aINDIAN PRINCE (Mr. S. Elliott).....Easterby	6 12
aSTART AGAIN (Mr. T. Hartigan)...O. Anthony	a 12
aFITZPICTON (Mr. J. Pendarves).....Pendarves	a 12
PATORITY (Mr. G. S. Langlands)...G. Langlands	a 12
aLITTLE WAVELET (Mrs. E. Strong)...Pendarves	a 12
ODIN (Mr. R. J. Watts).....Barthropp	a 12
aAPEM FOX (Mr. S. Wigmore).....S. Bennet	a 12
INCITATUS (Mr. J. H. Keep).....H. Smyth	6 12
aJOHN HASTY (Colonel G. Foljambe)...Foljambe	a 11 12
aBARRA (Mr. H. S. May).....Hurst	a 11 12
RASTRON (Mr. E. B. Forwood).....Forwood	4 10 9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

MON PERE, Owner; INDIAN PRINCE, Mr. G. Elliott; START AGAIN, D. Williams; FITZPICTON, W. Redmond; LITTLE WAVELET, F. Brookes; ODIN, J. Hanbey; APEM FOX, T. James; INCITATUS, A. Linegar; JOHN HASTY, R. Lyall; BARRA, J. Regan.

2.0.—The BREADSALL STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Three miles.

	Yrs st lb
aDONZELON (Colonel G. Foljambe)...Foljambe	a 12 7
BRAVE MAY (Mr. F. W. Keen).....H. Harrison	a 12 7
DON SANCHO (Mr. V. H. Smith).....Withington	a 12 7
aSARDONYX (Mr. E. Jaimez).....Peacock	a 12 7
GRAKLIN (Mr. C. R. Taylor).....Coulthwaite	a 12 7
BOYNE III. (Mr. G. W. Pennington)...Cockton	a 12 0
MORPHEUS (Mr. Spokes).....Dale	a 11 7
CORAL REEF III. (Major I. Straker).....Dale	a 11 7
GIN (Mr. R. D. Davis).....Woodland	a 11 7
SCARLET STRIPES (Mr. R. J. Power) Barthropp	a 11 7
BETTING TAX (Mr. D. Hennage).....Pendarves	a 11 7
ROBIN (Captain Guest).....Barrett	a 11 7
BRILLIANT II. (Mr. A. J. Miller).....S. Bennet	a 11 0
aJOHN HASTY (Colonel G. Foljambe).....Foljambe	a 11
MAGIC MOON (Lady Glenapp).....Pease	a 11
SANKEA (Mr. H. G. Hunt).....Hunt	a 11
SHADY LANE (Mrs. G. Pease).....Pease	a 11
SIR DENNIS (Mr. J. R. Thornton)...Rennison	a 11
aMERRIVALE II. (Lord Westmorland)..... Westmorland	a 11

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

DONZELON, R. Lyall; SARDONYX, A. Waudby; GIBUS, T. Morgan; SCARLET STRIPES, J. Hamey; MAGIC MOON, —; MERRIVALE II., F. Brookes.

2.30.—The BYRKLEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs st lb
aBLARIS (Mrs. H. M. Hollins).....W. Payne	a 12 7
LOW TIDE (Mr. E. Bowman).....Coulthwaite	a 11 13
GENERAL ADVANCE (123b. 6lb.) (Major A. W. Huslington).....Withington	a 11 11

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The Thames continues high and swift, and flood water is out in some reaches, but anglers have caught fine roach and perch in lock cuttings and other slacks and lay-bys. It will be a considerable time before the river regains good condition for all-round angling.

CREEDMAR (Major J. A. Coats).....McGuigan	a 11 7
WIND SWEPT (Mr. A. K. Charlesworth) Bazley	a 11 6
aSARBONNE (Mr. J. Whitaker).....Whitaker	a 11 6
SCOTTY RIO (Major W. Neilson).....F. Armstrong	a 11 1
WHITE MOUNTAIN (Major W. Newland Hillas)..... Hammett	a 10 9
RUCHAWAY (Captain A. Stanley Wilson)..... Storie	a 10 8
ANNANDALE (Lady Glenapp).....Pease	a 10 7
LENNOX BOY (Mr. C. Nolan).....Bickley	a 10 7
THEBAS (Mr. Holford Harrison)...H. Harrison	5 10 4
No FOOLING (Mr. C. H. Philpps)...Thompson	a 10 3
BUNGALOW (Mr. H. Harper).....Harper	a 10 3
DRUMMER (Mr. H. Deterding).....R. Payne	a 10 0
aCONNOLLY'S FOLLY (Mr. H. Deterding)..... R. Payne	a 10 0
BONAR BRIDGE (Colonel R. L. Birkin)..... W. Payne	6 10 0
aDASH O' WHITE (Mr. F. S. Akroyd).....Stubbs	a 10 0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

BLARIS, R. Everett; STAR BOX, T. Cullinan; RUSHAWAY, F. O'Hara; ANNANDALE, —; BUNGALOW, J. Mason; CONNOLLY'S FOLLY, Owner; DASH O' WHITE, J. Bisgood.

3.0.—The ROUND THE WORLD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. About two miles and three-quarters.

	Yrs st lb
ROLIN (Mr. T. R. Rimell).....Rimell	a 13 4
SORRIMO (Mr. S. Woodhouse).....F. Woodhouse	a 11 13
aKYRA (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw).....Whitelaw	a 11 11
DANDY DENNIS (Mr. T. Walton).....Butchers	5 11 5
SANCTERE (Mr. Abe Marsh).....Marsh	5 11 5
aPLAYTOI (Mr. P. Tarale).....Tarale	5 11 0
aBURWASTON (Captain A. Stanley Wilson)..... Hammett	6 10 13
MAGIC MOON (Lady Glenapp).....Hammett	6 10 13
GAMEFELLOW (Mr. S. McGregor).....Mairs	a 10 11
CONTRABAND (Mr. J. Lidbury).....Rickley	5 10 10
SWIFT NEWS (Mr. W. Tregoning).....Tregoning	5 10 10
SCARLET STRIPES (Mr. R. J. Power) Barthropp	a 10 5
HEREFORD LAD (Mr. M. Vasey).....A. Vasey	a 10 5
aNB JASPER (Lieutenant-Colonel D. Bulkeley)..... R. Thompson	a 10 5
aDROMORE (Mr. W. Parsonage).....Whitaker	a 10 4
RED CONRAD (Mr. J. P. Johnson) Pendarves	a 10 4
CARAMOND (Major Basil Hall).....Hall	a 10 2
aBURLEY ADELIA (Mr. S. S. Gaikwar) Saxby	a 10 2
aROYAL BOWER (Mr. D. G. Dickson) Coulthwaite	a 10 2
STARLEIGH (Mr. A. Wilson).....Dodds	a 10 2
SILVER BLAKE (Lady Beryl Gilbert) De Mestre	6 10 1
REGICIDES (Mrs. F. M. Bullock).....Bullock	a 10 0
COROLET (Mr. W. L. Irving).....Mulholland	a 10 0
VICTOR MOSS (Major L. Holden).....Private	a 10 0
CYLGATE (Mr. F. Sedgwick).....J. Hall	a 10 0
TROUTFORD (Mr. G. R. Robinson).....Renton	5 10 0
SOUTHERN CALL (Mr. E. R. Thompson)..... R. Thompson	a 10 0
CALL THE GAME (Mr. H. J. Brueton) F. Hudson	a 10 0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

KYRA, J. Bisgood; SANTERRE, Owner; PLAYTOI, R. Thrale; MAGIC MOON, —; BURWASTON, —; SCARLET STRIPES, J. Hamey; Sir JASPER, F. Gurney; DROMORE, T. Cullinan; CARAMOND, G. Wilson; BURLEY ADELIA, W. Speck; ROYAL BOWER, K. Piggott; SILVER BLAKE, F. Wilkinson; REGICIDES, Mr. Dutton; COROLET, F. Croney; VICTOR MOSS, F. Mason; CALL THE GAME, —.

3.30.—The GRANGEWOOD HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs st lb
WEST INDIES (Mr. C. B. Rowe)...C. Chapman	a 12 10
STRANATHRO (Mrs. Webster).....O. Anthony	a 12 10
AMUNDSEN (Mr. W. Clarke).....E. Pigott	5 11 0
KILKEEY LAD (Mr. W. Dale).....Dale	5 11 0
WINTER ROYAL (Mr. G. Gilbey)...C. Chapman	5 11 0
aAFFLEDORE (Mr. F. Handley).....Hammett	5 11 0
HEREWARD (Mr. F. C. Hurt).....Hurt	5 11 0
STAR OF AFRICA (Mr. J. S. Kincaid).....Vasey	5 11 0
BUCKRA (Mr. T. Jones).....D. Harrison	5 11 0
MITTAGONG (Mr. R. G. de Mestre)...De Mestre	5 11 0
CHEERIO (Mr. R. G. de Mestre)...De Mestre	5 11 0
ROBIUN (Mrs. F. E. Peel).....Hurt	5 11 0
NINCOMPOOP (Lord Portman).....Pease	5 11 0
aCLINTON LANE (Mrs. C. B. Robinson)...Peacock	5 11 0
KEITA (Lord Sefton).....H. A. Brown	5 11 0
CHATSWORTH (Lady Warrender)...H. A. Brown	5 11 0
PARTING SHOT (Mr. A. E. Wild).....Bickley	5 11 0
WHITE OSS (Mr. R. Barnett).....Coulthwaite	a 10 10
OBVIOUS (Mr. J. M. Clayton).....J. Cannon	a 10 10
ORPHEY (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis).....P. Dennis	a 10 10
DESERT (Mr. F. Hurmer).....G. Schuller	a 10 10
KING EAGLE (Major A. W. Huntington)..... Withington	a 10 10
ATHOS (Sir D. Lindsay).....Edwards	a 10 10
MACHELON'S VOW (Mr. A. Lowry) In Ireland	a 10 10
OPEN PROSPECT (Mr. S. McGregor)...Bullock	a 10 10
ARBOYS PRIDE (Mrs. H. S. Martin).....Gilbert	a 10 10
FAIR PAULINE (Mr. J. Moseby).....Moseby	a 10 10
TELAVIV (Mr. J. Pendarves).....Pendarves	6 10 10
WALDORF (Mr. M. Rimell).....T. Rimell	a 10 10
STRANMORE (Major J. B. Wilkes)...Whitaker	6 10 10
CRAYLON (Mrs. M. Williams).....Rennison	6 10 10
CLOUD NYMPH (Mr. N. Field).....V. Armstrong	6 10 10
PEARDON (Mr. J. Pim).....Hammett	5 10 10
HUMMING JAMES (Mrs. M. E. Forster)..... Private	6 10 10
KANTROM (Mr. E. Forwood).....Forwood	4 10 7
YELLOW ORIEL (Sir D. Llewellyn) F. Hartigan	4 10 7

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SLEEPY LAD, Mr. Gale; MITTAGONG or CHEERIO, S. Ingham; APPLEDORE, —; CLINTON LANE, A. Waudby; KEITA, P. Kelly; ORPHEY, —; DESERT, C. Donnelly; STRANMORE, C. Rhodes; YELLOW ORIEL, R. Everett.

THE BOAT RACE

PRACTICE AT OXFORD

There was a rise of at least 6in. in the water level during the week-end, and the towing path was submerged in places on the meadow side. Fortunately the gale, which reached a velocity of 70 miles an hour on Sunday, dropped yesterday morning, and the conditions were normal when the crew arrived at the Boathouse.

The President, A. Graham (Brasenose), spent more than an hour before luncheon up the tub-pair, Waterhouse and Martineau, Tinne and Johnson, and Dutton and Ingles going out. In the afternoon he gave instruction to Poole and Low, and Dutton and Clive. On getting afloat in the Eight Saturday's order was maintained, and they headed down stream at a stroke of 32. They made a halt at the Weirs Bridge on the way to Iffley, and thence paddled back to the Boathouse. A second outing was made later on, when an alteration was made in the order, Poole (Brasenose) taking the place of Dutton (University College) at No. 4. This time they journeyed up stream to Randall's Bridge, and, having swung round, pulled to the Isis in one piece. Coming back a halt was called at the Long Bridges, after which they completed the journey up stream to Salter's Raft and afterwards paddled back to the Boathouse.

The order of rowing was :—

W. J. Waterhouse (Eton and Balliol) (bow); C. F. Martineau (Harrow and University College), N. K. Hutton (Pretes and University College), R. A. J. Poole (Eton and Brasenose), J. A. Ingles (University of Tasmania and Magdalen), L. Clive (Eton and Christ Church), D. E. Cane (Eton and University College), C. M. Johnston (Shrewsbury and Brasenose) (stroke), H. A. C. Durbridge (Malvern and University College) (cox).

THE CAMBRIDGE CREW

There were still traces of the overnight gale when the Cambridge crew resumed work yesterday afternoon, but the force of the wind had abated considerably and was not such as to hamper the work to any appreciable extent.

There was no morning work, and tub pair instruction was begun at 2 o'clock, Mr. Holcroft advising all the crew with the exception of No. 7 and stroke. The Eight was launched at 3.15 p.m., and the outward journey was accomplished in two long stages, the only easy being at the Pike and Eel. The boat was turned just above the locks, and on the return journey Mr. P. Haig-Thomas, who accompanied the coach, took over the coaching for the remainder of the outing. The rate of striking was raised from 19 to about 21. They paddled up as far as First Post Corner and then went on to Pitton in two short stages. From here to the Pike and Eel the crew went through without a break, still doing 21, and after stopping while the coaches recrossed the river, they made their way back to the Goldie Boathouse in easy stages.

The Clinker Four carried out their usual programme of work rather earlier, and Mr. Sanders, the coach, returned to the towing-path to watch the work of the Eight.

The order of rowing and weights were :—

D. Haig-Thomas (Eton and Lady Margaret), bow, 11st. 3lb.
2. N. M. Aldous (St. John's, Leatherhead, and Selwyn), 11st. 11lb.
3. A. S. Reeve (Brighton and Selwyn), 11st. 7lb.
4. P. N. Carpmael (Oundle and Jesus), 12st. 7lb.
5. H. H. Warriner (Harrow and First Trinity), 14st. 3lb.
6. F. Bradley (Leighton Park, Reading, and Pembroke), 14st. 7lb.
7. R. A. Davies-Cooke (Eton and Third Trinity), 12st. 2lb.
T. A. Brocklebank (Eton and Third Trinity), stroke, 11st. 6lb.
R. E. Swartwout (Middlesex, U.S.A., and First Trinity), cox, 7st. 6lb.

The Clinker Four were :—

R. H. H. Symonds (Bedford and Lady Margaret), bow, 11st. 8lb.; H. R. N. Rickett (Eton and Third Trinity), 12st. 12lb.; J. H. Wray (St. Paul's and Lady Margaret), 12st. 6lb.; D. H. E. Veey (Charterhouse and First Trinity), stroke, 11st. 8lb.; J. M. Ranking (Cheltenham and Pembroke), cox, 6st. 10lb.

SALE OF HUNTERS

Messrs. Warner, She

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F.A. CUP

DRAW FOR FOURTH ROUND

The draw for the fourth round of the competition for the F.A. Cup was made yesterday afternoon and is as follows :—

WALSALL v. ASTON VILLA.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST v. FULHAM or BOURNEMOUTH AND BOSCOMBE ATHLETIC.
NEWCASTLE UNITED or YORK CITY v. CLAPTON ORIENT.
THE ARSENAL v. BIRMINGHAM.
SWINDON TOWN v. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR or MANCHESTER CITY.
BLACKBURN ROVERS v. EVERTON.
BURY or HUDDERSFIELD TOWN v. SHEFFIELD UNITED.
CORINTHIANS or MILLWALL v. DONCASTER ROVERS or STOKE CITY.
PORTSMOUTH v. BRIGHTON AND HOVE ALBION or GRIMSBY TOWN.
HULL CITY v. BLACKPOOL.
WREXHAM v. BRADFORD CITY.
DERBY COUNTY v. BRADFORD.
SUNDERLAND v. CARDIFF CITY.
OLDHAM ATHLETIC v. SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.
CHESTERFIELD or MIDDLESBROUGH v. CHARLTON ATHLETIC or QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS.
WEST HAM UNITED v. LEEDS UNITED.

To be played January 25 on the grounds of the first-named clubs. The kick-off will be at 2.45, and for the replayed matches at 2.30.

The full meaning of the draw cannot be appreciated until the games which were drawn last Saturday have been replayed and a decision reached. Of the 16 games to be played in the fourth round there are seven in which it is impossible at present to say what teams will be opposing one another.

Two of the best matches in this round will definitely be played in London, for the two London teams in the First Division of the League have once more been fortunate enough to be drawn to play on their own grounds. The Arsenal have to meet Birmingham, and West Ham United will play Leeds United. On Saturday Birmingham beat Bolton Wanderers, the Cup holders, at Birmingham, and though that result may have given the team some confidence they have made a very poor showing in their League matches away from Birmingham this season, for they have won only one of them and lost eight. The Arsenal have not shown themselves invincible at Highbury recently, but on Saturday they seemed to be more bent on scoring goals than usual. Leeds United are one of the best sides of the year. Much of their strength is due to their big and powerful half-backs and the leadership of Edwards, one of the most solid players in the country. Still, West Ham United should be good enough to hold their own against Leeds United. They are probably better in attack than in defence, and their forwards should be quite capable of getting the goals if their backs can keep their opponents at bay. Another good match will be between Blackburn Rovers and Everton. Blackburn Rovers won the Cup two years ago and are a powerful side, while Everton have been doing very badly this season.

The leaders of the First Division of the League, Sheffield Wednesday, will play the leaders of the Second Division, Oldham Athletic, at Oldham, and there may be an interesting contrast in style and methods. Sunderland, a mediocre side at present, are to play Cardiff City, the conquerors of Liverpool, at Sunderland. Aston Villa seem to have an easy task in facing Walsall. Sheffield United play the winner of the replayed game between Bury and Huddersfield.

A third match is definitely to be played in London, but it is impossible to say which teams will take part on either side. The winner of the match between the Corinthians and Millwall, to be played at New Cross to-morrow, will play on their own ground against the winner of the game between Doncaster Rovers and Stoke City, which was abandoned in a snowstorm on Saturday, and is to be played at Doncaster on Thursday. Neither of these teams from outside London has done much of note this season and their performances in their matches away from their own ground have been far from good. The winner of the game between the two London teams should not find any serious obstacle to bar their progress into the fifth round.

SCHOOLS' TEAM BEATEN AT BECKENHAM

The Amateur Football Association beat a Public Schools' team at New Beckenham yesterday by four goals to three. As a game it was most interesting, and the A.F.A. side, even when they led by three goals to one, never appearing to be greatly superior. The football was good in parts, but neither of the sides was in any way representative.

Neither side settled down to good combination in the first half, but in Mayes and Hoffmann the Schools had two clever inside forwards. Barnes was a hard-working centre-half who fed his front line well, and Jenner was the better of two sound backs. Mason can hardly be held responsible for any of the goals he let through. Three were scored in the first half by Soper, the A.F.A. centre-forward, from in front of goal and at short range, and the fourth, which Stiff scored in the second half from left-half after the Schools' backs had failed to clear a centre from the right wing, he partially stopped after being nearly unsighted. The A.F.A. had the wind behind them in the first half, but made little use of the advantage. The Schools, in fact, did quite as much attacking as their opponents, but neither of the wings, both of whom were well fed, was capable of centring the ball, and the shooting of Cooper, the centre-forward, was erratic. Hoffmann scored with a good shot, quickly done from a direct short pass, to equalize after Soper's first goal. Then Soper scored two more goals for the A.F.A. from movements on the left, on which wing Benka showed a useful turn of speed, Cooper scored a goal for the Schools before half-time with a hard drive into the top of the net after good play by Youd and Hoffmann.

The play was faster in the second half, and the passing of both sides more accurate. Mayes, who was often conspicuous for neat dribbling and well-timed passing, beat Williams with a first-rate shot, but Cooper, who had several chances, shot wide on every occasion. The A.F.A. captain, Mackenrot, moved up from right back to outside right, Hepburn and Bagrie dropping back, after the Schools had drawn level, and it was his run down the wing and centre that led to Stiff's goal.

The teams were :—

PUBLIC SCHOOLS XI.—J. G. Mason (Braddell), goal; J. H. Bradley (Grocers') and A. J. M. Jenner (Charterhouse), backs; A. Rowe, Ramsgate, and L. Pearce (Strand), E. W. Barnes (Battersea G.S.), and D. L. Youd (Ardingly), half-backs; H. F. Elliott (St. Lawrence, Ramsgate), F. Hoffmann (Westminster City School), F. Cooper (Stallioners'), J. C. Mayes (Brentwood), and R. T. Needham (St. Lawrence, Ramsgate), forwards.

A.F.A. XI.—J. T. Williams (Lloyds Bank), goal; W. C. Mackenrot (H.A.C.) and J. Biddell (Midland Bank), backs; G. Bagrie (Broomfield), G. Hughes (H.A.C.), and F. W. F. Stiff (Lloyds Bank), half-backs; S. F. Hepburn (Casuals), F. D. Shearer (Casuals), M. R. Soper (Casuals), A. Dale (Ealing Association), and H. F. Benka (Norsemen), forwards.

LEAGUE AND F.A. COUNCIL

At an extraordinary general meeting of the Football Association, held at the Holborn Restaurant, London, yesterday afternoon, Sir Charles Clegg, president, in the chair, resolutions were submitted the effect of which would be to increase the number of seats on the F.A. Council held by the Football League to eight.

The resolution was proposed by Sir Charles Clegg, seconded by Mr. W. Pickford, and supported by Mr. McKenna, president of the Football League, but a considerable amount of opposition was forthcoming. The main line of argument, expressed by Mr. J. B. Glanvill, Mr. Meadows, of Wimbledon, and Mr. Bowker, of the Middlesex F.A., was that the proposed representation would be disproportionate and unfair to the great body of amateur organizations throughout the country, and might jeopardize the future of the game.

Upon a vote being taken 46 were in favour and 41 against, but proxies had been received in favour to the number of 112, bringing the total vote to 158 for and 41 against.

A discussion arose on the question of the issue of the proxies. A poll was demanded, but, after further discussion, that demand was withdrawn, and the resolution declared carried.

LONDON SENIOR CUP

DRAW FOR SECOND ROUND

The draw for the second round of the London Senior Cup is :—

Nunhead or Walthamstow Avenue v. Leyton.
Bromley v. Wimbledon.
Tufnell Park or Clapton v. Ilford (holders).
Metropolitan Police v. Hayes.
Ties to be played on Saturday, February 1, kick-off 3 p.m.

While an angler was perch fishing near Reading, a dabchick seized his bait—a live minnow—and was hooked and landed.

THE BRITISH SKI CHAMPIONSHIP

LONG-DISTANCE RUN

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

MURREN, JAN. 13

The competition for the British Long distance Ski-Racing Championship was held today at Mürren. The snow was difficult over the course of 14 kilometres. There were eight entrants, including C. P. D. Legard, who won last year. The result was :—

H. R. Spence, 1hr. 35min., 1.
W. D. Dunn, 1hr. 36min., 2.
C. E. W. Mackintosh, 1hr. 38min., 3.

Legard had only been out in Switzerland a week and was quite untrained. The race resolved itself into a duel between Spence, who is well over 30, and the young Cambridge undergraduate Dunn. At half-way their times were exactly equal. Spence's superior technique and long experience turned the scale.

With this event the British Ski Championship meeting was concluded. Mackintosh made far and away the best all-round performance, winning the straight race and the jumping, being second in the slalom, and third in the long-distance race.

ICE HOCKEY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

VIENNA, JAN. 13

The British Ice-Hockey Association's team last night drew with an All-Austria team, each side scoring one goal.

The British team played good hockey, and the outstanding players were, as in the previous game, Rogers (in goal), Hume, Sexton, and Bruce.

UNIVERSITIES' WINTER GAMES

DAVOS, Jan. 13.—The second international university games, which ended yesterday, resulted in a win for Italy with a total of 56 points. Germany was second with 45, followed by Austria (40), Switzerland (32), Czechoslovakia (26), England (16), Holland (16), Hungary (10), Rumania (10), and France (4). The games included ski-ing, skating, ice hockey, and a bobsleigh race, and points were awarded for the first six places, six for first, five for second, and so on.—*Reuter.*

ST. MORITZ, Jan. 13.—The race on the Cresta Run for the Carlton Cup resulted in a dead heat—J. R. Heaton and J. G. Crammond each taking 1m.9.5sec. for the three courses.—*Reuter.*

LAWN TENNIS

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 13.—W. T. Tilden beat G. Lyttleton Rogers in the final of the Singles in the Country Club Tournament by 7—5, 6—1, 6—3, 6—0.

In the final of the Women's Singles Miss Ryan beat Mrs. Satterthwaite by 6—3, 6—4.

Other results were :—

DOUBLES.—C. H. Kingsley and W. T. Tilden beat B. Hillyard and L. Worms (5—7, 6—3, 6—3, 6—3).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Mrs. Satterthwaite and Miss Ryan beat Mlle. Adamoff and Mlle. Neufeld (6—2, 6—0).

MIXED DOUBLES.—SEMI-FINAL ROUND.—C. H. Kingsley and Miss Ryan beat B. Hillyard and Miss Slaney (6—4, 9—7).—*Reuter.*

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL TRIAL

The following teams were selected yesterday to play in the Amateur International Trial match, England v. The Rest, at Ilford on Saturday, February 1 :—

ENGLAND.—B. Howard Baker (Corinthians), goal; F. J. Gregory (Wimbledon) and E. Gates (London Caledonians), backs; C. Bowden (Corinthians), Corporal R. J. C. Robinson (Royal Air Force), and F. H. Ewer (Corinthians), half-backs; L. B. Morrish (Dulwich Hamlet), E. Kail (Dulwich Hamlet), C. T. Ashton (Corinthians), G. O. Bengarf (Corinthians), and Lieutenant K. E. Hegan (The Army), forwards.

THE REST.—H. E. Millington (Liverpool Police), goal; D. Hooton (Nunhead) and J. G. Knight (The Casuals), backs; G. D. Hobson (Bradford City), W. T. Whewell (Corinthians), and P. Anderson (Crittall's Athletic), half-backs; G. S. Watson (Charlton Athletic), G. Boyle (Altrincham Linotype), D. H. Smithies (Preston North End), S. O. Bengarf (Corinthians), and Boscombe Athletic), and J. Rimmer (Southport), forwards.

Reserved to travel :—J. W. Preston (Leyton), L. Craymer (Ilford), and H. L. Coates (Royal Navy).

Sir Charles Clegg congratulated Mr. F. J. Wall, the secretary of the Association, on the honour of knighthood which had been conferred on him.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

F.A. CUP.—THIRD ROUND REPLAY

GRIMSBY.—Grimsby Town v. Brighton and Hove Albion.

LEAGUE.—THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN SECTION)

NELSON.—Nelson v. Rochdale (2.45).

BILLIARDS

LINDRUM'S ONLY MATCH WITH DAVIS

A match, which must be very conclusive in its result, was begun at the Holborn Billiard Hall, Hyde-street, New Oxford-street, yesterday, when Lindrum, the Australian player, began a fortnight's game by time with Davis, the holder of the Championship of English billiards.

From various points of view this match must be regarded as the most important of Lindrum's tour. For reasons which have been explained, neither Lindrum nor McConachy, the New Zealand Champion, will take part in the Championship, which will be played for later in the season. On the form he has displayed in most of his matches since his tour was begun, in the middle of October, Lindrum, who has not had a rest since then, has established a reputation which had never been equalled by any other player in the history of the game. It is sufficient in the way of comment on his remarkable ability to emphasize the fact that in the course of the last three months Lindrum has made 30 breaks of four figures, an accomplishment which has not been approached by any of his English contemporaries. His failures have been few. While Smith has beaten Lindrum twice, by comparatively narrow margins, Lindrum, in other games, has overwhelmed Smith, and it remains a moot point whether Davis, who may be said to be at the highest point of his career, can prove himself superior to an opponent who, on much of his form, has proved himself a master of the game.

It is in Lindrum's favour that all of his matches during the tour are being played on the same type of table, while the conditions to Davis yesterday were comparatively new. In the opening session of the game Lindrum certainly gave the sounder display and scored 1,619 points in two hours for an average of 124, while Davis made 671 for an average of 51. This represented a lead for Lindrum of 948.

Davis made a good start by winning the string for break and he deputed his opponent to open the game. Lindrum played for, and left, a double balk, and Davis missed a cross-cushion loser. The first advantage had gone from Davis to his opponent, but Lindrum had scored only 55 when he missed a run-through loser. Davis adopted a policy of safety, potted the white and left a double balk. He succeeded in keeping his opponent out, and made use of the position to make a break of 110, which included a run of 45 close cannons. There was a peculiar feature about this run of cannons. Lindrum, who is a left-handed player, makes his cannons in the opposite way to the right-handed player. It is a matter of comfort and convenience, but Davis found himself in the opposite direction to which he might have desired.

By a curious coincidence Lindrum had the same experience a little later in the play. Each missed reasonably good scoring chances, but Davis held the advantage for the first three-quarters of an hour by adding runs of 161 and 105, while Lindrum's chief breaks were 84 and 87. In the last of these runs Davis began with a fluke, but when he missed a very difficult *massé* cannon, with the three balls almost touching, Lindrum played in that perfect way which makes him such a formidable opponent. At first he secured position at the top cushion and made a run of 41 cannons, the reverse way to that which is customary. When a little later he secured position again for nursery cannon play he played down the left side of the table and made another run of 104 cannons before he broke the position when the middle pocket was reached. In the end, when the break had realized 585, Lindrum missed a run-through loser, a type of stroke which has caused him more trouble than any other.

Davis had his chances and failed to make use of them. In his next five visits he scored only 47 points, and Lindrum, in the meantime, made his lead a commanding one by playing soundly again in a break of 406, which included the almost inevitable run of cannons. On this occasion Lindrum made 77 of these delicate strokes before he lost position, and it did not cause any surprise when he missed a very difficult two-cushion cannon. Davis, perhaps, was a little affected by the quick scoring methods of his opponent. He missed a drop cannon after scoring 25, and Lindrum made Davis's task more difficult by adding a break of 289, which included 74 cannons. Lindrum played with that ease of scoring which makes his opponents realize how good he really is. Davis had no time to recover, but he added runs of 46 and 177, while Lindrum, after scoring 42, played out time with a break of 65 (unfinished).

The scores at the interval were :—Lindrum (in play), 1,619 ; Davis, 671.

Lindrum increased his lead in the evening to 1,476, scoring 1,461 for an average of 487, while Davis made 932 for an average of 311. The play, as the averages show, was brilliant.

Although Lindrum increased his unfinished break only to 110, he added to his lead quickly afterwards. Lindrum missed a straight red winner, and Davis, when he appeared to have a promising opening, failed to make a similar stroke after he had scored only a few points. Lindrum made use of the opportunity to the extent of scoring 381, the break including a run of 84 cannons, but when he failed at a screw cannon Davis played with much greater confidence than he had shown in the earlier part of the game. Davis scored very quickly while making a run of 48 cannons. When he broke up the position he continued to play fluently, and without difficulty, to increase the break to 373 before he missed a winner, the stroke having to be played slightly cut.

Lindrum experienced a difficulty before he had had time to set up a good position, and this time he could not overcome it. The cue ball was almost touching the red near the top cushion with the white ball some distance away, and in the opposite direction. Lindrum played to cut the red in, a most difficult stroke, and with double strength to make a cannon off the bottom cushion. He failed to score, and Davis, playing beautifully, gave a very fine all-round display in a break of 352. With the exception of a run of 44 close cannons, Davis played a very attractive all-round game. He had difficulties to contend with, but these he overcame without much trouble. In playing a forcing stroke, Davis left the white in balk. That spoiled his chance of making further progress, and he missed a cushion cannon to end a very fine all-round break.

The character of the English champion's task was made apparent when Lindrum at his next visit played out time with a run of 1,027 (unfinished). The suggestion that Lindrum is a cannon player primarily was refuted completely by the fact that until he had completed the sixth hundred he did not bother about this form of scoring. Judging the strength of his strokes accurately Lindrum scored by all-round methods, and for most of the time he appeared to be complete master of the situation.

The closing scores were :—Lindrum (in play), 3,080 ; Davis, 1,604.

SMITH v. McCONACHY

In the first session yesterday, in the match between Smith and McConachy, at Edinburgh, Smith made a break of 889 and slightly increased his lead over McConachy. At the start McConachy carried his unfinished break to 505 ; but then Smith did all the scoring. Later McConachy scored 254 and 215 (unfinished). Smith had an average of 200, and McConachy 147. The scores at the interval were :—Smith, 12,647 ; McConachy (in play), 11,885.

The closing scores were :—Smith, 13,589 ; McConachy (in play), 12,801.

NEWMAN v. CARPENTER

Newman and Carpenter began a week's time-limit billiard match at Thurston's, Leicester-square, yesterday, with Carpenter receiving a start of 2,000 points.

With a break of 357 Newman had the better of the first session, and had an average of 94 against 51. His other runs were 124, 71, 78, and 180 (unfinished). Carpenter mare 132 and 215. The scores at the interval were :—Carpenter (receives 2,000), 2,556 ; Newman (in play), 944.

The closing scores were :—Carpenter (receives 2,000), 3,045 ; Newman (in play), 2,102.

STOCK EXCHANGE HANDICAP

This week's programme of play in the second round of the handicap at Simpson's, Cheapside, commencing to-day, is as follows :—

P. E. Stacey (+35) v. W. H. Sheppard (+90) ; D. F. Brown (scr.) v. E. T. Spearing (+100) ; G. L. P. Reid (+80) v. A. E. Lacey (scr.) ; J. McGibbin (+100) v. W. Lewis (+80) ; V. Brent (+80) v. R. C. Collins (+90) ; A. Edwards (owes 50) v. H. R. Henson (−70) ; N. B. May (+35) v. H. L. Hollis (+10).

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

S. Lee led H. F. Smith by 185 points at the half-way stage in their London qualifying heat in the Amateur Billiards Championship at Thurston's Hall yesterday. Lee had breaks of 69, 71, 45, 33 and 41, and Smith 65, 42 and 31.

The closing scores were :—S. Lee (in play), 501 ; H. F. Smith, 316.

CARS OF TO-DAY

20-H.P. SUNBEAM

(BY OUR MOTORING CORRESPONDENT)

The 20 h.p. six-cylinder Sunbeam Weymann saloon is a well-fitted, gentlemannered and untiring car in which to tour.

The seats have loose cushions held in position, but easily detachable. The squabs are high enough and are softly sprung. There is an arm-rest on either side of the back seat, which holds two to three persons, and a central pull-down one. On either side there is a recessed cupboard with a covering flap and a companion. The front seats are adjustable, and have flap pockets at the rear. The foot-rest for the back passengers can be folded back out of the way. There is a ventilator in the roof, two cupboards are in the dash, a one-piece screen can be opened enough to give a direct view in fog or snow ; there is a double anti-glare reflecting mirror ; a blind over the back window can be worked by the driver ; and at the back is a tidy, hidden luggage grid. Here, also, is the main petrol tank of 12 gallons ; the filler is well to the near side, and there is a deep gauze inside. A petrol gauge is on the dash. There is also an air regulator in addition to the choke, pneumatic control on the steering column of the dipping head-lamp reflectors, an orange anti-glare screen outside the ordinary screen with adjustment by hand, and draught excluders are fitted over the bases of the change-speed and hand-brake levers. There are four doors and side windows : the rearmost two glasses can be wound nearly halfway down. Fair entrance is given front and back, but the levers being on the off side of the driver, the doorway here is not unrestricted. The spare wire wheel and 32in. by 6in. tire is forward of the driver's door. The running boards are wide ; the doors are taken down to them. There is satisfactory head room.

The capacity of the engine is 3,916 c.c., the bore and stroke being 75 and 110mm. It is stated to give about 70 horse-power at about 4,000 r.p.m. The valves are overhead and have triple springing. The mechanism has a cover which is held by four nuts, and a large oil filler, with a shallow gauze. The crankshaft runs in four bearings, the pistons are of aluminium alloy with four rings each, and the connecting rods are of steel. Timing is by chain, which can be regulated from outside with the engine running. Over the casing is a breather, and aft are the water pump, the generator, and the dual ignition magneto, the three units being driven in line. The pump has two large glands, which can be tightened, and sufficient clearance has been left for easy re-packing. A lead is taken round to the other side of the engine to warm the mixing chamber. The generator and magneto are each held by a strap, and have a Vernier coupling. The main floorboard, held by catches, can be lifted, and the make-and-break easily seen from the driver's side of the dash. There is partly automatic movement of the ignition. The ignitions can be worked separately, but not together. There is one set of sparking plugs set at an angle at the side of the head ; they are easy to reach. The coil is on the dash.

Oil drainage is not as straightforward as it might be, otherwise the engine lubrication is well devised in principle. There is an oil level tap workable under the bonnet, where is also the pressure filter. Between the dumb-irons and just below the V of the water radiator there is a honeycomb oil radiator which has a separate louvred bonnet over it. The suction filter can only be got at by dropping a bottom plate on the sump, in the middle of which is the drain plug. The film and honeycomb water radiator is on rubber washers on the cross member. The water pipe at the top has a double branch, and the water between the cylinder block and the pump goes through the casting, which is neater than a separate outside pipe. The top lead is bolted to the head. Removable baffle plates on the inner side of the radiator reduce the air supply in cold weather. A handy tap drains the water. Next to the coil on the dash is the autovac tank which supplies the carburettor. Below it is a glass bowl filter, fairly well out of the way. Adjoining is the oil tank and pump for the one-shot chassis lubrication.

On the off-side is the three-branch exhaust manifold, which has a forward pipe connexion and is ribbed. The inlet manifold has six branches, is of circular section with buffer ends, but squares out where the branches join the head. The carburettor has an accelerating pump. Between the cylinder block and the sides and front of the frame the space is neatly filled up with aluminium plates, and below the carburettor is an indentation with a drain hole in the centre. Steering is by screw and nut with the box held to the frame. On the dash are two horns, one electric and one hand-worked, a hydraulic jack, and the oil can. The single-plate clutch is enclosed and cannot be adjusted, but the travel of the pedal can be altered. The spigot bearing is automatically lubricated.

Both clutch and brake pedals are independent of the frame, and engine, clutch, and gear-box are combined and held at four points. The gear-box has four forward speeds, with ratios of 5.1, 7.4, 14, and 20.4 to 1. The speeds are changed by a lever that works in a visible gate on the off-side, but which is free of the frame. There is a level filler for the box on the off-side. The propeller-shaft is enclosed and has a central bearing, and the lubrication is included in the chassis system. Final drive is by spiral bevel in a half-floating axle. The springs are half-elliptical at the back as well as in front, and are worked with frictional shock absorbers. The rear springs are under the axle ; those in front are flat set, splayed, held out of centre, and well clipped. There are no stops at the back, but there is a snubber leaf on each. The front axle has rounded ends and jacking platforms.

There are six brakes. The front ones are of Perrot pattern and are worked by cables. The back brakes are applied by rods. The shoes here work side by side. All four drums are enclosed and slightly ribbed. The four-wheel brakes work with vacuum servo assistance, and a primary adjusting nut can be got at through a trap with the offside front seat slid back.

The engine acceleration on top under sudden and heavy load at low speed is not surprising, but the engine runs quietly and smoothly, and has plenty of life. The clutch worked properly, and the change-speed was light and easy. The hand brake was thoroughly useful. With only slight pedal application, the four-wheel brakes were even, well regulated, and possessed of suitable power. With harsh application of the pedal they were not dangerously responsive. The action in a reverse direction was not quite so good, but the hand brake force was equal forwards and backwards. The suspension is very fair ; hydraulic shock absorbers would probably make it better. The steering was light and sufficiently steady. The lock is only moderate. The saloon can easily do about 20, 30, and 60-65 miles an hour on the level on second, third, and top. On the stretch 51 miles an hour was shown ; the figures for the new Dashwood Hill were 30 and 43, while, with a standing start on third, the rough old hill was passed at 27 miles an hour. The roads were dry, but there was a slight head wind. The load was two persons.

The chassis costs £595, and the Weymann saloon £875. A sliding roof is £10 more.

The new 1930 edition of "Cars of To-day" and a new and enlarged edition of "The Art of Driving" are now ready, and are published by The Times Publishing Company, Printing House-square, E.C.4, at 2s. and 1s. 3d. respectively, or can be had from booksellers, newsagents, or bookstalls.

BADMINTON

SUSSEX v. HAMPSHIRE

Sussex beat Hampshire by six matches to three in the Doubles and lost the Women's Doubles by three matches to six in a county Badminton match at the Sussex County Sports Club, Hove.

The results were :—

DOUBLES.—D. Bowditch and B. P. Cook (Sussex) beat L. T. Pullen and S. Wyatt (15—7, 15—5) ; beat A. Parrott and S. Toogood (15—18, 15—12, 15—9) ; beat P. N. Price and G. E. Edlestone (15—11, 5—15, 17—15) ; F. F. James and G. E. M. de Ste. Croix (Sussex) lost to Pullen and Wyatt (9—15, 4—15) ; beat Parrott and Toogood (15—8, 15—11) ; beat Price and Edlestone (8—15, 15—9, 15—8) ; J. M. Hunt and F. C. Sharp (Sussex) lost to Pullen and Wyatt (15—11, 5—15, 10—15) ; lost to Parrott and Toogood (10—15, 17—16, 15—7) ; beat Price and Edlestone (12—15, 15—12, 15—11).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Mrs. Challis and Miss K. H. Hunter (Sussex) lost to Mrs. Church and Miss M. Bell (18—15, 9—15, 14—18) ; lost to Miss L. Kingsbury and Miss T. Kingsbury (10—15, 15—10, 8—15) ; beat Miss M. Bowerman and Miss D. Jurd (14—18, 15—9, 15—5) ; Miss D. Sherriff Dudman and Miss L. M. Evans (Sussex) lost to Mrs. Church and Miss Bell (11—15, 17—18) ; lost to Miss L. Kingsbury and Miss T. Kingsbury (15—11, 16—17) ; beat Miss Bowerman and Miss Jurd (15—6, 15—12) ; Miss C. M. Evans and Miss M. Arno (Sussex) lost to Mrs. Church and Miss Bell (7—15, 3—15, 2—15) ; lost to Miss L. Kingsbury and Miss T. Kingsbury (8—15, 17—18) ; beat Miss Bowerman and Miss Jurd (15—9, 15—6).

Twelve months' imprisonment was imposed on William Shepherd Berridge, 39, a rate collector, who pleaded "Guilty" at Cardiff Quarter Sessions yesterday to several charges of embezzling money belonging to the Cardiff Board of Guardians, by whom he was employed.

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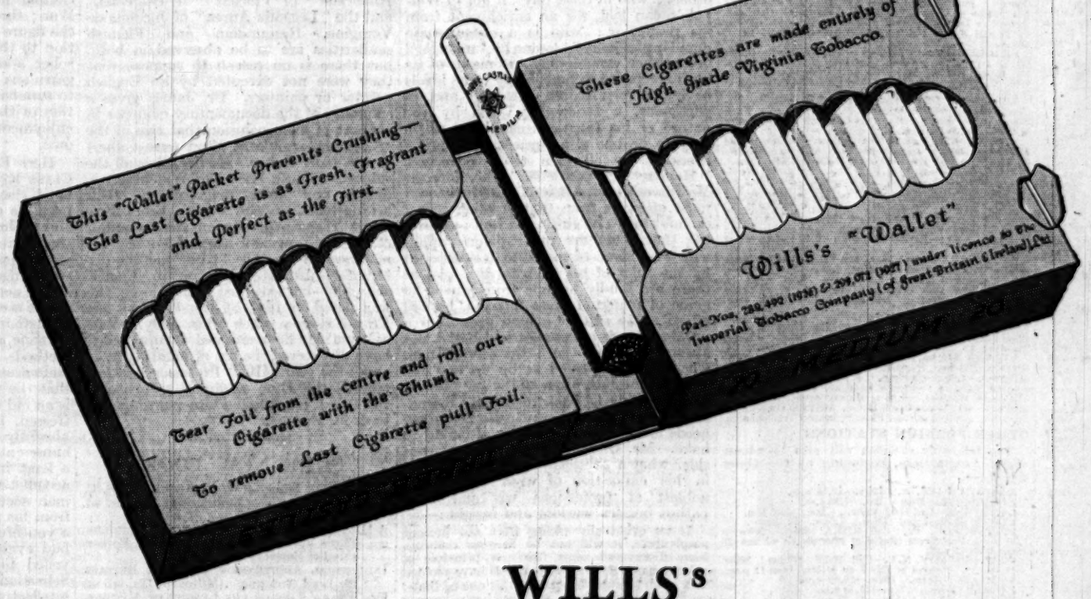
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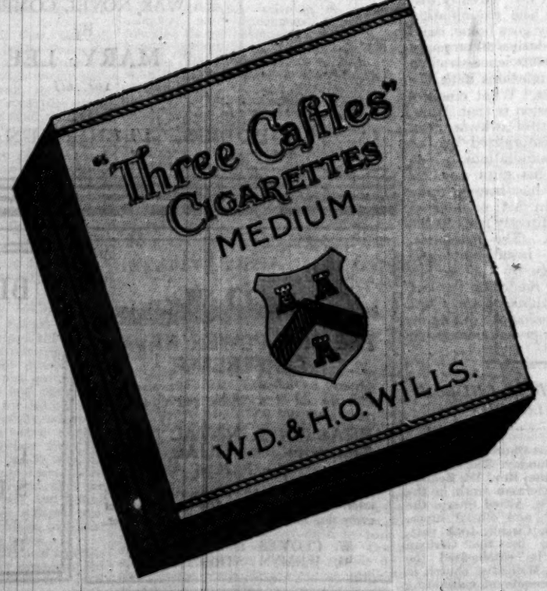

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THE PROGRAMMES

CHAMBER MUSIC

A concert of chamber music by the English Ensemble will be given to-night from Daventry (5GB). The programme will include Mozart's Quartet in G minor, Schubert's Quintet in A, and a group of eight songs by Mozart, Duparc, and Chausson, to be sung by Miss Miriam Licette. Earlier in the evening there will be transmitted a performance of *The Wrecker*, by Louis Stevenson and Lloyd Osbourne, which has been adapted for broadcasting by Mr. Michael Talbot. The first variety programme in connexion with the National Radio Week will be given to-night, from 2LO, 5XX, and other stations, when the following artists will take part: Miss Mabel Constanduros and Mr. Michael Hogan, in a sketch entitled *The Whale*; Mr. Tommy Handley, Messrs. Flotsam and Jetsam, and Mr. Will Hay. At 7.45 p.m. a concert of music by Edward German will be conducted by Mr. Stanford Robinson.

PROGRAMMES

The broadcasting programmes for to-day, January 14, are as follows:—

LONDON—Call 2LO (842kc.) (356.3m.) and DAVENTRY—Call 5XX (193kc.) (1,554.4m.).

During alternative programme tests between 12 midday and 1 p.m., 10.45 p.m. and 12 midnight London programme will be broadcast on 1,148kc. (261.3m.).

10.15 a.m.:—Service. **10.30**:—Time Signal from Greenwich; Weather. **10.45**:—The Countrywoman's Day, 2—How to deal with minor Ailments, by Dr. Stella Churchill. **11-12 (5XX only)**:—Gramophone Records. **11-11.30 (2LO only)**:—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process.

12:—Hilda Blake (soprano); Robert Beresford (baritone). **12.30**:—Organ Music. **1-2**:—Orchestra, from the Piccadilly Hotel. **3**:—Esther Coleman (contralto); William Heseltine (tenor); Joyce Ansell (pianoforte). **4**:—Orchestra, from the Brixton Astoria. **5.15**:—Children: Allegro (Handel) and other Violin Solos, played by David Wise; The Woodpigeons, another Mortimer Batten story; The Happy Zoo, a Zoo Talk by Leslie G. Mainland. **6**:—Readings from the Victorian Poets—Elizabeth Barrett Browning, read by Miss Barbara Couper. **6.15**:—Time Signal from Greenwich; Weather; News. **6.40**:—Brahms's Violin Sonatas, played by Marjorie Hayward (violin), and O'Connor Morris (pianoforte). **7-7.20**:—Looking Backwards, 1. Sir Alfred Yarrow. **7.25**:—Stammering, its Nature and Treatment, by Miss E. C. Macleod.

7.45:—The Wireless Orchestra and the Wireless Chorus, conducted by Stanford Robinson; Mavis Bennett (soprano); Stuart Robertson (baritone). **9**:—Weather; News; Local News; Shipping Forecast, Stock Exchange Report and Fat Stock Prices (5XX only). **9.20**:—The New Programme of Talks, by Professor Winifred Cullis. **9.35**:—Will Hay, schoolmaster comedian; Tommy Handley (comedian); Mr. Flotsam and Mr. Jetsam; Mabel Constanduros and Michael Hogan in their own sketch, The Whale; B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, and a relay from the Coliseum; Yvette Darnac and Oonah Mairs, in a pot-pourri of songs. **10.45**—Band, from the Ambassador Club. **11.15**:—Band, from Grosvenor House, Park Lane. **12-12.30**:—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process.

DAVENTRY—Call 5GB (626kc.) (479.2m.).

12:—Mabel Shaw (soprano); C. E. Thomas (tenor); Joan Bonner (violoncello). **1**:—Organ Music. **2-3**:—The Birmingham Studio Orchestra, conducted by Frank Cantell. **5.15**:—Children's Sign Posts, a story by Dorothy Willison; Syncopated Songs by Daphne Hickman (soprano); Dance Music; Getting at the Root of Things—Making a Newspaper, by Major Vernon Brook. **6**:—The Birmingham Studio Chorus conducted by Joseph Lewis. **6.15**:—Time Signal from Greenwich; Weather; News. **6.40**:—Organ Recital by Dr. Harold Rhodes, relayed from Coventry Cathedral. **7.15**:—The Wrecker, a mystery of the sea, by Robert Louis Stevenson and Lloyd Osbourne, adapted for broadcasting by Michael Talbot, produced by Peter Creswell. **8.30**:—The History and Economic Influence of the Potato, by Dr. R. N. Salaman. **9**:—The English Ensemble: Marjorie Hayward (violin), Rebecca Clarke (viola), May Mukle (violoncello), Kathleen Long (pianoforte); Miriam Licette: Victor Watson (double bass). **10.15-10.30**:—Weather; News.

ABERDEEN—Call 2BD (995kc.) (301.5m.).

10.15-10.30:—See London. **11-12**:—See Daventry. **2.40**:—See Glasgow. **6.15**:—See London. **7.45**:—See Glasgow. **8.45**:—Dance Music. **9**:—See London. **9.15**:—See Glasgow. **9.30-12**:—See London.

BELFAST—Call 2BE (1,238kc.) (242.3m.).

10.15-10.30:—See London. **3.30**:—Dance Music. **4.30**:—The Radio Quartet. **5.15**:—Children. **6**:—See London. **6.15**:—See London. **7**:—The Rev. W. F. Marshall: Ulster Dialect Talk—3, the Impress of French and Spanish. **7.25**:—See London. **7.45**:—Round the Bonfire—The Shefield Orpheus Male Voice Quartet—G. North (tenor), T. H. Ratcliffe (tenor), B. Marshall (baritone), E. Broomhead (bass), from Manchester; the Yorkshire String Quartet—Laurence Turner (violin), Norman Rouse (violin), Alan Smith (viola), Colin Smith (violoncello), relayed from the British Music Society's (Bradford centre) Concert, Mayfair Rooms, Bradford, from Leeds; Sydney Graham (pianoforte), from Liverpool. **9**:—See London. **9.15**:—North Regional News. **9.20-12**:—See London.

PLYMOUTH—Call 5PY (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30:—See London. **12-1**:—See London. **3**:—See London. **5.15**:—Children. **6**:—See London. **6.15**:—See London. **7**:—Mr. F. J. King—Half-time in the Western Football Season. **7.25-12**:—See London.

SWANSEA—Call 5SX (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30:—See London. **3**:—See London. **5.15**:—See Cardiff. **6**:—See London. **6.15**:—See London. **7**:—Current Topics in Wales, a Review in Welsh, by Professor E. Ernest Hughes. **7.25**:—See London. **7.45**:—See Cardiff. **9**:—See London. **9.15**:—See Cardiff. **9.30-12**:—See London.

RELAY STATIONS.—**LIVERPOOL (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), LEEDS-BRADFORD (1,500kc. and 1,040kc.) (200 and 288.5m.), NEWCASTLE (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), SHEFFIELD (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), HULL (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), STOKE-ON-TRENT (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).**

10.15-10.30:—See London. **12-1**:—See Manchester. **3**:—See London. **5.15**:—See Manchester. **6**:—See London. **6.15**:—See London. **7**:—See Manchester. **7.25**:—See London. **7.45**:—See Manchester. **9**:—See London. **9.15**:—See Manchester. **9.30-12**:—See London.

FOREIGN STATIONS

NOTE.—Hours of transmission are Greenwich Mean Time. Hours are p.m. unless otherwise stated:—

BARCELONA (Radio Barcelona)—Call EAJ1 (349m.). 4.30—5.5:—Talk for Women. 5.30:—News and Trio Music. 6.30:—Elementary English Lesson. 9:—Chimes, Weather and Exchange Quotations. 9.5:—Partial relay of an Opera from the Gran Teatro del Liceo, followed by Barcelona Publishing Notes.

BELGRADE (438m.), 1.5kw.—4.5:—Reading. 4.30:—Harmonium Recital of Folk Melodies. 6.30:—German Language Lesson. 7:—Concert by a Vocal Octet; Stilic (Mulvic): Folk Songs. 8:—Time and News. 8.10:—Orchestral Concert. 9.10:—Gramophone Concert of Serbian Folk Songs.

BERLIN (Kaiserdamm) (1,635m.), 2kw.—3.30:—Programme from Leipzig. 4.30:—Literary Talk. 5:—Talk. 5.30:—Advanced French Lesson. 5.55:—Talks. 7:—Programme from Langenberg, followed by Political Notes and News from Berlin (Witzleben).

BERLIN (Witzleben) (418m.), 4kw. 1.30:—Programme from Leipzig. 4.30:—Children. 5:—Review of Books. 5.30:—Talk. 6:—Concert—Overture, Rosamunde (Schubert); Selection from Das Christfest-lein (Pfitzner); Im wogenden Ährenfeld (Dranmann); Serenata (Murrill); Spanish Suite, Cafe Sherpes (Steiner); :—Walter Mehring Programme. 7.30:—Concert of Quartet Music—Quartet in C major (Mozart); Quartet No. 7 (Bela Bartok). 8.30:—Topical Programme, followed by Political Notes, Time, Weather, News and Sports Review.

BERNE (403m.), 1.5kw.—4.30:—Time and Weather. **6.30**:—Medical Talk. **7**:—Baritone Song Recital with Saxophone and Pianoforte accompaniment. **7.30**:—Orchestral Selections. **7.45**:—Dramatic Selection relayed from Lausanne (480m.). **8.15**:—Concert by the Hungarian Kursaal Orchestra. **9**:—News, Weather.

BRATISLAVA (279m.), 12.5kw.—8.50:—See Prague. **9.15**:—Concert of Tzigane Music from the Café Baross. **9.55**:—News and Programme Announcements.

BRESLAU (325m.), 2kw. and **GLEIWITZ (253m.)**:—**4.30**:—Children. **5**:—Talk on Literature. **5.30**:—See Königswusterhausen. **5.55**:—Talk. **6.10**:—Weather for Agriculturists. **6.12**:—Gramophone Records. **7**:—Weather. **7.2**:—Talk for Women. **7.30**:—Variety Programme. **8.40**:—Reading. **9**:—Press Review from Berlin (Witzleben). **9.28**:—News. **9.45**:—Wireless Notes.

BRUNN (342m.), 2.4kw.—3.30:—Orchestral Concert, relayed from Prague. **4.26**:—German Transmission. Time, News, and Songs. **5**:—Weekly Economic Report. **5.10**:—Lesson in Czecho-Slovakian. **5.20**:—French Language Lesson. **5.35**:—Children. **5.50**:—See Prague. **6.15**:—Programme from Bratislava. **9.55**:—News and Theatre Review.

BRUSSELS (508.5m.), 1kw.—5:—Dance Music. **6**:—Elementary French Lesson. **6.30**:—Gramophone Concert. **7.30**:—Le Journal Parlé. **8.15**:—Concert—Selection from Le Grand Mogol (Audran); Selection from Cocorico (Ganne); Selection from Sunny (Kern); Song—Selection from The Merry Widow (Lehár); Selection from Les Dragons de l'Impératrice (Messager); Selection from La Vie Parisienne (Offenbach); in the interval at 9, Topical Talk. **10.15**:—News.

BUDAPEST (550m.), 20kw.—3:—Programme of Fairy Tales. **4**:—Programme of Short Stories. **4.30**:—Chamber Music. **5.50**:—French Language Lesson. **6.30**:—Variety Programme of One-act Plays, Songs, and Humorous Selections. **8.30**:—Violin Recital. **9.15**:—Concert by the Jenö Pertis Tzigane Orchestra, relayed from the Hotel Britannia.

COPENHAGEN (281m.), 1kw., and KALUNDBORG (1,153m.), 7kw.—5.50:—Weather and News. **6.15**:—Time Signal.—**6.30**:—Talk. **7**:—Town Hall Chimes. **7.4**:—The Mikado, burlesque operetta (Gilbert and Sullivan). **9.30**:—News. **9.45**:—Dance Music. **11** (in the interval):—Town Hall Chimes.

CRACOW (311m.), 1kw.—6.10:—Agricultural Bulletin. **6.20**:—Opera, relayed from Katowice (408.7m.). After the Programme, News and Foreign Station Relay from Warsaw. **11**:—Chimes.

FRANKFURT (390m.), 2kw., and CASSEL (246m.):—**3**:—Orchestral Concert—Overture, Benvenuto Cellini (Berlioz); Symphonic Poem, Les Préludes (Liszt); Kaiser-marsch, Wagner), followed by Dance Music. **5.5**:—Talk. **5.35-9.45**:—See Stuttgart. **9.45**:—News. **10.5**:—Talk for Chess Players.

HAMBURG—Call ha (in Morse) (372m.), 3kw., and BREMRN (319m.), FLENSBURG (219m.), HANOVER (360m.), KIEL (346m.).—4.20:—Dance Music. **5.15**:—Variety Programme. **6**:—Talks. **6.50**:—Exchange and Weather. **7.10**:—Concert from the Beethoven Saal, Hanover. **8.30**:—Tales from the Vienna Woods; Concert—Overture, Rosamunde (Schubert); Songs—(a) Lark, Lark, the Lark, (b) Die Forelle (Schubert); Choral Selection, Am Brunnen vor dem Tore; Scherzo from the Symphony in C major (Mozart); Song for Trio, Das Bandel (Mozart); Wiener Blut (Strauss); Duet from Der liebe Augustin (Fall); Selection from Der liebe Augustin (Fall). **9.30** (in an interval):—News, Weather, Sports, and Miscellaneous Notices.

HILVERSUM (298m.), 2kw. After 5.40 p.m. on 1,071m.—**9.40 a.m.**:—Time, Daily Service. **11.40**:—Time, Quartet Concert. **1.40**:—Gramophone Records. **2.40**:—Talk. **3.40**:—Concert. **5.10**:—Quartet Concert. **5.40** (in the interval):—Time Signal. **6.10**:—Exchange Quotations. **6.25**:—English Language Lesson. **7.25**:—Gramophone Records. **7.40**:—Time Signal. **7.41**:—Operatic Concert by the Italian Opera Artistes. After the Programme, Weather, News, and Gramophone Records.

HUIZEN (1,875m.), 6.5kw.—1.10 a.m.:—Religious Programme. **11.41**:—Police Announcements. **11.55**:—Trio Concert. **12.55**:—Gramophone Selections. **1.40**:—Programme for Women. **2.40**:—Dressmaking Lesson. **3.10**:—Gramophone Selections. **5.41**:—Exchange Quotations. **5.45**:—Gramophone Selections. **5.55**:—News Report. **6.10**:—Gramophone Selections. **6.30**:—Lesson in Latin. **6.55**:—Talk. **7.25**:—Police Announcements. **7.41**:—Variety Programme. **8.40**:—Concert by the Haarlem Orchestra—Overture, Prince Igor (Borodin); Concerto Grogoriano for Violin and Orchestra (Respighi); La Procession Nocturna (Raband); Serenade for Strings (Tchaikovsky); Les Preludes (Liszt). In the interval from **9.40-9.55**:—News. **10.40**:—Gramophone Records.

LANGENBERG (472m.), 15kw., and AIX-LA-CHAPELLE (483m.), COLOGNE (227m.), MUNSTER (240m.).—11.15:—Winter Sports Relay from St. Moritz. **1.45**:—Hints for the Housewife. **2**:—Children. **3**:—Reading. **3.25**:—Review of Plays. **3.50**:—Talk. **4.30**:—Orchestral Concert from the Works of Mozart. **5.30**:—Lesa Talk. **5.50**:—Topical Talk. **6**:—Economic Report, Weather, and Sports Notes. **6.15**:—French Conversation. **6.35**:—Discussion. **7**:—Orchestral Concert—Overture, Lorelei (Wallace); Scenes from Iolanthe (Tchaikovsky); Liebeswalzer (Moszkovsky); Russian Rhapsody from Prince Igor (Borodin); Suite, Peer Gynt (Grieg)—(a) Morning, (b) The Death of Ase, (c) Anitra's Dance, (d) In the Hall of the Mountain King; Waltz from Eva (Lehár); followed by News, Miscellaneous Announcements, and Relay from Dortmund of the Last Hundred Six Days' Racing Results.

LEIPZIG (259m.), 2kw., and DRESDEN (319m.):—**3.30**:—Chamber Music by a Wind Instrument Quintet. **4.30**:—Walter Niemann in Selections from his own Works. **4.55**:—Economic Notes. **5.5**:—Talk for Women. **5.30**:—See Königswusterhausen. **5.55**:—Labour Intelligence. **6**:—Talk. **6.30**:—Variety Programme of Trio, Harp, and Pianoforte Selections. **7.30**:—Talk. **7.50**:—Violin Recital—Sonata in F minor for Violin and Cembalo (Bach); Sonata for Violin (Hindemith); Sonata in G major for Violin and Pianoforte (Brahms). **8.50**:—Talk. **9.20**:—Time, Weather, Press Review, and Sports Notes, followed by Concert Relay.

MADRID (Union Radio)—Call EAJ 7 (424m.), 3kw.—**7**:—Chimes, Exchange Quotations, and Programme for Children. **8**:—Dance Music. **8.25**:—News. **10**:—Chimes, Time, Exchange Quotations, and Opera, relayed from the Gran Teatro del Liceo, Barcelona. **12** (midnight):—Chimes, News, and Dance Music.

MILAN—Call 1MI (501m.), 7kw.—?:—News and Government Report. **7.15**:—Wireless Notes and Literary Review. **7.30**:—Time Signal. **7.32**:—Programme from Turin. In the interval at **10.30**:—Wireless Notes. After the Programme, Dance Music.

MUNICH (535m.), 1.5kw., and AUGSBURG (360m.):—**KAISERSLAUTERN (276m.), NUREMBERG (339m.)**:—**4.30**:—Baritone Song Recital, relayed from Nuremberg. **5.15**:—English Language Lesson. **5.45**:—Technical Report. **6.15**:—Talk. **6.45**:—Concert of Trio Music and Male Voice Choir Selections. **7.50**:—Pianoforte Recital by Professor Frederic Lamond—Sonata in B minor (Liszt); Etudes symphoniques in C sharp minor, op. 13 (Schumann). **8.40**:—Visions of the Night, a Lyrical and Musical Wireless Suite. **9.30**:—News.

NAPLES—Call INA (331.4m.), 1.5kw.—7.30:—Sports Notes, News, Government Report, Press Review, and Harbour Notes. **8**:—Time Signal. **8.2**:—Relay from the San Carlo Royal Theatre, Sports Notes in the Interval. **9.50**:—News, Calendar, and Programme Announcements.

OSLO (493m.), 60kw., and FREDRIKSSTAD (317.1m.), NAMAR (370m.), NOTODDEN (283m.), PORSGRUND (483m.), RJUKAN (447m.):—**5.35**:—Talks. **6.15**:—Weather and News. **6.30**:—English Language Lesson. **7**:—Time Signal. **7.2**:—Orchestral Concert—Concerto in A minor for Piano and Orchestra (Grieg); (a) Berceuse de la Reine Bertilla, and (b) Spring Song (Sverre Jordan); Ballet Suite, Reisen til Julestjernen (Halvorsen). **8.30**:—Recitations. **8.50**:—Weather and News. **8.56**:—Topical Talk. **9.5**:—Choral Recital.

PARIS (Eiffel Tower)—Call FL (1,445m.), 12kw.—7.56 p.m.:—Time Signal (32.5m.). **8.45**:—Le Journal Parlé. **7.10**:—Meteorological Report. **7.20**:—The Temptation of St. Anthony—Musical Poem for Soloists and Choir (Davico).

PARIS (Radio Paris)—Call CFR (1,725m.), 12kw.—**12.30**:—Gramophone Concert of Symphony Music. **In the Intervals at 1**:—Exchange Quotations and News. **At 1.30**:—Exchange Quotations. **2**:—Exchange Quotations and Market Prices. **3.30**:—Exchange Quotations. **3.45**:—Instrumental Concert—Orchestra: Overture, La princesse jaune (Saint-Saëns); Violin Concerto (Lalo); Orchestra: L'ile heureuse (Chabrier-Charnettes); Pianforte Solos: (a) Slow Waltz (Laparra); (b) Tourbillon (Defossez); (c) Divan (Pridohl); Orchestra: Au bois d'amour (Labis); 'Cello Solo: Second Sonata (Boccherini); Orchestra: La plus jolie fille de France (Fourdrain). **4.55**:—News, Market Prices, and Exchange Quotations. **6**:—Agricultural Report and Racing Results. **6.30**:—U.S.A. Exchange Rates. **6.35**:—Gramophone Records. **7.5**:—Literary Review. **7.20**:—Gramophone Records. **7.30**:—Elementary English Lesson. **7.45**:—Commercial Prices: Economic and Social Notes and Amusement Guide. **8**:—Orchestral Concert: Poèmes d'automne (Pierné); Les Noces de Jeannette—Lyric Comedy in One Act (Masse). In the Interval at **8.30**:—American Opening Prices and Sports Notes. **9.15**:—Press Review, News, and Time.

PRAGUE (487m., 5kw., 6:—The Tempest—Opera (Fibich), from the National Theatre. **9**:—Time, News, and Sports Notes. **9.15**:—Concert from the Autoclub. **9.55**:—News, Theatre Review, and Programme Announcements. **10**:—Time Signal.

ROME—Call 1RO (441m.), 2kw.—7.30:—News, Exchange Quotations, Weather, Press Review, and Time Signal. **8**:—Relay of an Opera from the Royal Theatre or Concert from the Studio.

STOCKHOLM—Call SASA (436m.), 1.5kw., and MOTALA (1,349m., 1kw.), BODEN (968m.), GOTT-BORG (442m.), HORBY (257m.), OSTERSUND (770m.), SUNDSVALL (542m.):—**5.30**:—Folk Music and Readings. **6.10**:—Topical Talk. **6.40**:—Talk. **7**:—Talk for Women. **7.20**:—Concert of Italian Music—Overture, The Italian Girl in Algiers (Rossini); Selection from Mephistophèles (Boito); Meditation (Chiotta); Andalusian Serenade (Calotta); Exotic Dance (Massagli); Selections from Madame Butterfly (Puccini). **8.15**:—News and Weather. **8.40**:—Review of Books. **9.10**:—Concert of Light Music.

STUTTGART (360m.), 3kw., and FREIBURG (570m.):—**3**:—Programme from Frankfurt. **4.45**:—Time, Weather, and Agricultural Notes. **5**:—Talk. **6.30**:—Othello, opera in four acts (Verdi), relayed from the Hessian Theatre, Darmstadt. **9.45-10.35**:—Programme from Frankfurt.

TURIN—Call 1TO (274m.), 7kw. 6.15:—Concert. **7**:—Esperanto Lesson. **7.15**:—Wireless Notes. **7.30**:—Time Signal. **7.45**:—Relay of an Opera from the Royal Theatre: Talk in the Interval. **10.30**:—News.

VIENNA (516.3m., 15kw., and GRAZ (542.8m.), INNSBRUCK (283.5m.), KLAGENFURT (455.2m.), and LINZ (349.9m.).—4.30:—Children. **5**:—Talk. **5.30**:—Agricultural Talk. **6**:—French Language Lesson. **6.25**:—Time and Weather. **6.30**:—Manon, opera (Massenet), relayed from the State Opera House. After the Programme, Concert of Light Music and Phototelegraphy Transmission.

OTHER FOREIGN STATIONS

The following stations will also broadcast varied programmes, beginning at the times stated:—

KATOWICE (408.7m.), 10kw.—10.55 a.m.
KONIGSBERG (276m.), 3kw.—7.30 p.m.
LAUSANNE—Call HB2 (680m.), 1.5kw. 6.45 a.m.
LYONS (Radio Lyon) (298m.), 15kw.—12 (noon).
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Call KDKA (980m.), 25kw.—1.30 p.m. Programme relayed at intervals on 63 and 25 metres from 11 p.m.
SCHENECTADY, N.Y.—Call WGY (379.5m.), 30kw.—11.45 a.m. Relayed by 2XAF on 31.48m. from 11 p.m.
WARSAW (1,411m.), 10kw.—10.55 a.m.
ZAGREB (307m.), 0.7kw.—11.30 a.m.
ZURICH (459m.), 0.65kw.—11.30 a.m.

From The Times of 1830

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1830. Price 7d.

ON THE GODDESS MINERVA TURNING HER BACK ON THE ATHENÆUM

Once chaste Minerva, blue-eyed maid,
But now a jilting wanton jade;
With matchless impudence she dares
To boldly ogle neighbour Mars.*
See how she stands, a common hack,
And on her offspring turns her back.

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NEW WESLEYAN CHAPELS IN LONDON

New chapel schemes for London have been sanctioned by the Connexional Chapel Committee. At Acton Green a new chapel is to be erected to seat 500 persons, costing £10,000, of which £6,400 is to be raised. The committee of the London Mission and Extension Fund will give a grant of £1,250 and the General Chapel Committee £250. A temporary debt of £2,350 will remain to be liquidated in 10 years. Dagenham, in the East Ham Mission, is to have a new chapel to cost £25,000 and to seat 950 persons. The sum of £16,700 is to be raised, towards which the London Extension Fund will give a grant of £3,000 and the General Chapel Fund Committee a grant of £300, leaving a temporary debt of £6,000.

Books of the Day

A STUDY OF WALPOLE

THE CRAFT OF POLITICS

THE ENDLESS ADVENTURE. By F. S. OLIVER. (Macmillan. 15s. net.)

It is much to be hoped that this brilliant piece of work, which has been broken and postponed by the writer's long illness, will be followed before long by the two subsequent instalments which will complete Mr. Oliver's project. The "endless adventure" is the adventure of governing men, and the book is a study of the art of politics as it was practised in England by Sir Robert Walpole, that "archetype of the normal politician who forces his way into the highest positions," and by his contemporaries. The word "normal," Mr. Oliver's readers will find, is important. Mr. Oliver disclaims for his book the title either of history because his materials have come to him ready hewn, or of biography because of its omissions; but under whatever classification it may fall, it is likely, when finished, to stand out as an exceptionally illuminating guide to "the skill and blunderings, the courage and faint-heartedness, the energy and languor, the failures and successes" of the politicians of two centuries ago as they struggled in a classic arena.

At present it does not go beyond the death of George I., so that Walpole at the fullest ambit of his powers has still to be presented; he is here for the most part still feeling his way, uncertain as yet of several things, except that he and he alone must be the King's chief Minister, but on terms of no great confidence with the King and the Court, a quite recent initiate into the game of European politics, and having only lately proved his supremacy, in a Cabinet very unlike the present, over colleagues endowed with almost equal authority. In Mr. Oliver's view there are few Ministers who rank so high as Walpole, and none whom he would put above him. It stands to reason, therefore, that a student of the political art who takes Walpole as his hero must find exemplified in Walpole not a few of the fundamental rules of that art, if he does not actually derive them from Walpole's practice.

Now it is as much Mr. Oliver's purpose to lay down what those rules are as to consider how Walpole followed them; and this leads Mr. Oliver to introduce his volume with a fascinating disquisition on the nature of politicians, the qualities which they should possess, the motives which drive them, the forces which they yield or have to watch, the standards by which they are or are not to be judged, and above all their indispensability. And how, since politics is a practical art, can its rules be better learnt than from observation of its great practitioners, and most preferably, if an instance can be found, not only a great practitioner, but also one who held power uninterruptedly for a really long stretch of time? For we must remember the Aristotelian condition—ἐν βίῳ τελείῳ. If only for this last reason Walpole enjoys a unique pre-eminence. But when to sheer continuity all his other qualifications are added the case for him becomes indeed strong. The Minister who, though not Prime in the modern sense, depressed successive partners and rivals; who kept his chief adversary mercilessly down and yet used him; who made a new and foreign Royal House take root; who though a country gentleman managed the great Whigs and as a Whig managed the country gentlemen; who was as much at home in the City as in the covert; who was bent on giving a war-worn nation rest, peace, and prosperity—what can be not have known of the art of governing men? Even if Walpolian maxims savour at times of Machiavellianism, they must, in view of what Walpole accomplished, possess some sort of eternal validity.

So it comes to pass that Mr. Oliver begins his book by tabulating some of these maxims; and his ideal politician emerges as a decidedly Walpolian figure: one who believes in his own unsurpassed ability to serve his country, who will keep himself at all costs in power; who is to be judged not by the standards of moralists or soldiers or newspaper proprietors; who is a kind of public martyr bearing burdens and knocks which befall no others; who in these days, if not in Walpole's, can look for no enrichment from his profession; who is a consummate popular psychologist, loving his "monster" yet neither worshipping too many of its idols nor prone to pursue any of its ideals beyond a very limited distance; and, in particular, a functionary who by the nature of his functions can hand them over to no one else, since it is the prime necessity for all men to be governed. "Honour the politician," therefore, is Mr. Oliver's text, different as his behaviour must often be from that of other men: do not always be girding at him; remember that there are unscrupulous things which he alone of mankind is compelled by the rules of his craft to do; just as there are kindly actions from which he alone of mankind must refrain: he can afford to be neither a high priest nor a prophet—such personages had better not attempt politics: he is the salvage man whose part is played as by no one else after revolutions, when all the ancestors in us are calling us back to homely reasonableness: it is he whom Russia now most needs and, in course of time, is bound to have. Mr. Oliver bids us seriously consider what a politician is; and there are in his exposition of what is still the noblest of professions wit and even pathos besides wisdom and insight:—

If we eventually escape from our present perplexities, it will not be because theorists have discovered some fine new principle of salvation; or because newspapers have scolded and pointed angry fingers at this one or that; or because we, their readers, have become excited and have demanded that "something must be done." It will be because these decent, hard-working, cheerful, valiant, knock-about politicians, whose mysterious business it is to manage our affairs by breaking one another's heads, shall have carried on their work as if nothing extraordinary was happening—just as Walpole did even in the worst of times—and shall have "jumbled something" out of their contentions that will be of advantage to their country. The notion that we can save ourselves without their help is an illusion; for politics is not one of those crafts that can be learnt by the light of nature without an apprenticeship.

There can be little doubt that Mr. Oliver's period and hero are appropriate for modern post-War edification; and to judge by the present instalment there need be no fear that he is going to project his Walpole into a faultless superman. His admirable style makes us impatient to get on with the story, for if he has a moral to convey he has also no less an exciting story to tell and a whole gallery of portraits to paint. These portraits—his George I., his Bolingbroke, his Townshend, his Carteret, his Dubois, his Alberoni and the rest—may not be completely filled in, for there are many picturesque touches which biography proper could put to them; but they are no abstractions. They are working craftsmen caught at their work, a work which can be plied by nobody else and must continue to be plied as long as there are men to be governed.

ENGLISH WALL PAINTINGS

ETON AND WINCHESTER

THE WALL PAINTINGS IN ETON COLLEGE CHAPEL AND IN THE LADY CHAPEL OF WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL. By M. R. JAMES and E. W. TRISTRAM. The Walpole Society. Volume XVII. (Oxford: University Press, for the Society.)

This exhaustive account of the subjects named, fully illustrated with collotype plates, is a most valuable contribution to our knowledge and understanding of early English art. Until 1923, when the Exhibition of British Primitives at Burlington House was organized by Lord Lee of Fareham and others, few living people outside Eton knew anything about the paintings in the chapel. They had, however, been discovered in 1847, when what *The Times* of July 17 that year describes as "extensive repairs" were in progress. By the removal of the organ loft to a different position the paintings were uncovered. But for the intervention of the Rev. John Wilder, Fellow and afterwards Vice-Provost, they would have been scraped away. It was decided to spare them, though the then Provost (Hodgson) insisted that they should be covered over again as "unfit to be seen in a building dedicated to the use of the Church of England," and an artist named R. H. Essex was employed to make pencil drawings of the whole of the remains, to which he added a few coloured lithographs. Before the paintings were covered up—by sixty stall canopies—they were inspected by the Prince Consort, and it speaks for his genuine interest in primitive art, if not for his practical judgment, that he pleaded for some mechanical contrivance, such as hinged or sliding panels, that would enable the paintings to be examined at will by lovers of art "without any danger to the religious principles of the ordinary congregation."

An interesting circumstance—observed at the time of the British Primitives exhibition—and one that bears shrewdly upon the way in which attributions are apt to be influenced—is that the drawings by Essex, reproduced here, give to the paintings an Italianate flavour. In comparison with the recent photographs of the paintings this is very marked. Essex was evidently persuaded, as was also G. E. Street, that the paintings had been executed by Florentine artists, possibly, says Street, "pupils of the Beato Angelico," and worked accordingly, though his drawings are true to the general design. Nothing more was heard of the paintings until 1875, when Sir Henry Maxwell Lyte's "History of Eton College" gave an account of them, with illustrations from Essex's drawings, and the name of the painter, William Baker, was first quoted from the College accounts. Dr. James was interested, but, except for a glimpse of two figures of saints during the erection of Street's stone organ screen in 1881, which, in Street's absence, damaged them, he was unable to gratify his desire to see what was behind the canopies until the exhibition of 1923. Then, being on the committee of the exhibition, Dr. James got permission of the College to have the stall canopies removed, and on August 28, 1923, the paintings were finally exposed.

From time to time the paintings had been a good deal damaged, and some portions had completely disappeared. Professor E. W. Tristram, of the Royal College of Art, the learned and very experienced restorer of medieval paintings, was called in, and with his assistant, Mr. Quennell, did what was necessary; not retouching, but cleaning, recovering further portions of the design by the cautious removal of a coat of paint, and, as a final expedient, painting a restoration of the obscured designs, not upon the wall, but upon panels covering the damaged surfaces. The panels for the north wall were finished and put up in 1927, those for the south wall in 1928. Thus, without any tampering with the original designs, what remains of them has been made secure and its meaning completed by the applied panels. As Dr. James says, Professor Tristram has achieved a triumph.

The Eton wall paintings, like the parallel, though smaller and inferior, series at Winchester, represent the Miracles of the Virgin. The sources of both are known to have been the "Speculum Historiale" of Vincent "of Beauvais," and the "Legenda Aurea" of Jacobus de Voragine. Burgundian and Flemish similarities are to be observed in both, but there is no reason to suppose that they were not executed by an English painter or painters. Dr. James gives a summary of the documentary evidence in support of his conclusion that two of the artists responsible at Eton were Gilbert and William Baker. He describes all the subjects at both Eton and Winchester in detail, and gives diagrams of their arrangement on the walls. From Professor Tristram's note on the technique of the paintings we learn that they are not frescoes—neither "true" nor the distemper substitute common in English churches—but executed in oil-colour. This was noted in 1847 by the *Windsor and Eton Express*, which adds, gaily, "Vandyke, it may be mentioned, is supposed to have discovered the art of painting in oil about the year 1410." Professor Tristram regards the Eton examples as probably the finest black-and-white paintings extant in Europe.

SOME NEW BOOKS

THE ITALIAN SCHOOLS OF PAINTING. By S. C. Kaines Smith. (Medici Society. 10s. 6d. n.)

A HISTORY OF THE ARMY ORDNANCE SERVICES. Three Vols. By Major-General A. Forbes. (Medici Society. 30s. n.)

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION IN GREAT BRITAIN. By Lord Amulree. (Milford. 12s. 6d. n.)

TEN YEARS' LIFE OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS. By John Eppstein. (Simpkin Marshall. 7s. 6d. n.)

BALZAC. By Francis Gribble. (Nash and Grayson. 21s. n.)

SOCRATES AND HIS FRIENDS. By E. B. Osborn. (Hodder and Stoughton. 2s. 6d. n.)

SIR WALTER SCOTT'S CONGÉ. By the Hon. Lord Sands, D.D. (Black. 6s. n.)

THE PRINCIPLES OF THEOLOGY. By the late W. H. Griffith Thomas, D.D. (Longmans. 12s. 6d. n.)

THE LADY IVIE'S TRIAL. Edited by Sir John C. Fox. (Milford. 12s. 6d. n.)

INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGY. By Erwin Wexberg. (Allen and Unwin. 18s. n.)

DAYS IN THE SUN. By Martin Anderson Nexö. (Allen and Unwin. 12s. 6d. n.)

THE MUHAMMADAN EMIRATES OF NIGERIA. By S. J. Hogben. (Milford. 10s. 6d. n.)

A HISTORY OF IBERIAN CIVILIZATION. By J. P. De Oliveira Martins. Translated by Aubrey F. G. Bell. (Milford. 12s. 6d. n.)

THE BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS. By Paul Einzig. (Macmillan. 7s. 6d. n.)

CONTINENTAL STATESMEN. By George Glasgow. (Bles. 10s. 6d. n.)

THE COLOURED COUNTRIES. By Alec Waugh. (Chapman and Hall. 18s. n.)

FICTION

URGENT PRIVATE AFFAIRS. By H. Fletcher Moulton. (Arrowsmith. 7s. 6d. n.)

PERIL AT CRANBURY HALL. By John Rhode. (Bles. 7s. 6d. n.)

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NEW NOVELS

MISS EDITH WHARTON'S NEW STORY

Among new novels are HUDSON RIVER BRACKETED, by Edith Wharton (Appleton, 7s. 6d. net), DON JUAN'S DAUGHTERS, by Irene Forbes-Mosse, translated from the German by Oakley Williams (Lane, 7s. 6d. net), and THE CLASS REUNION, by Franz Werfel (Jarrolds, 7s. 6d. net).

Miss Wharton's story has the curious title of HUDSON RIVER BRACKETED, the meaning of which is explained in a note. A certain Mr. A. J. Downing, in his book on landscape gardening published in 1842, divides the architectural styles into the Grecian, Chinese, Gothic, Tuscan, and

CHARING CROSS BRIDGE

OPPOSITION CASE

SPEECHES AT TRANSPORT MINISTRY

An agreed summary of the proceedings at the Ministry of Transport on Monday, December 23, when the Minister and Sir Percy Simmons, chairman of the Improvements Committee of the London County Council, received a deputation representing the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Thames Bridges Conference, on the subject of the Charing Cross Bridge scheme, was issued officially yesterday, as follows:—

Mr. STANLEY HALL, the vice-president of the R.I.B.A., in introducing the deputation, in the unavoidable absence abroad of the president, Sir Banister F. Fletcher, stated that the architects had been concerned about the proposals for a bridge at Charing Cross as long ago as 1916. He pointed out that subsequent to the publication of Lord Lee's Report, when a committee of engineers was appointed to report on this subject, the Institute asked for the appointment of an architect on the committee. This was refused on the ground that at that stage scientific engineering considerations were the only issue. In the view of the Institute this was a most unfortunate decision, as they felt that an architect should have been engaged from the inception of the proposals, and that, though an architect had subsequently been called in, it was not fair to any architect to be called in and told that fundamentals, from an engineering and traffic point of view, had been settled. They considered that on the Surrey side there was an opportunity for the improvement of London and the Thames greater than had occurred since the Fire of London, and that the promoters, in their anxiety to arrive at some finality, had produced a half-baked scheme, having allowed the supposed difficulties to loom too large. They therefore asked that the Bill should be referred back for further consideration.

Mr. ARTHUR KEEN, the chairman of the Thames Bridges Conference, stated that the conference had looked at this scheme from the point of view of town planning and economy, and they did not consider that proper provision was made for the development of London on the southern side, which was a most vital question. He pointed out that all the successive official schemes had been frankly viaducts and that viaducts were not wanted in Central London. They sterilized the areas that they touched. He also criticized (1) the fact that there was no connexion from the bridge to the Embankment on the Middlesex side; (2) the proposal to cover in York-road for a distance of 350ft. (and suggested the desirability of all works being on the ground level, or as near thereto as possible, and open to the sky); and (3) that no building sites were formed between the railway and the road. He also considered that to meet the wishes of the railway company the station was brought much too near the river on the Surrey side and that in the position proposed it would prevent adequate development of the river front and the area behind it. He added that the members of the deputation did not advocate any particular scheme.

"A FATAL OBJECTION"

SIR REGINALD BLOMFIELD, R.A., representing the Royal Academy, criticized the scheme under the heads "Cost, Traffic, Architecture, and the Surrey side." He did not think that if the scheme were given effect to the public would be getting value for a cost which was placed at nearly £15,000,000, much of it compensation for buildings destroyed in consequence of the route selected. With regard to traffic, he drew attention to the closing of roads on the Middlesex side, such as Villiers-street and Buckingham-street, and he did not consider that the approaches on the Surrey side were adequate. The archway proposed at the end of the bridge on the Surrey side would cause congestion of traffic and block a vista from the Strand right across the bridge and to the country beyond. He thought that tunnels on the Surrey side 350ft. in length would be unsightly, noisy, difficult to ventilate, and very dangerous, owing to the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning from the exhausts of motor-vehicles in the tunnels. Owing to the levels, the tunnels through which York-road and Waterloo-road would have to pass could not have a greater height than that from the Embankment roadway to the underside of the railway passing over it on the Middlesex side, though they would be more than three times as long. In his opinion these tunnels were a fatal objection to the official scheme. He criticized the circus for a roundabout on the Surrey side, which, he thought, was badly designed. The result would be that there would be heavy congestion at this point.

From an architectural point of view he expressed the view that the scheme on the Middlesex side had been prepared without regard to architectural possibilities. In particular, the tunnel ramp on a steep gradient and the areas left for building would render it impossible to get a satisfactory architectural treatment. Similarly, he thought that the 1,600ft. of wall formed by the side of the new station along the elevated road would prevent any satisfactory architectural feature there, and, as in the case of the Middlesex side, he thought that the areas assigned for building in the neighbourhood of the circus on the Surrey side would be impossible to deal with. Generally, he thought that the proposed arrangements on the south side would completely block in the southern area with a solid wedge, resulting in there being a hinterland of slums in perpetuity.

TOWN-PLANNING CRITICISM

LORD CRAWFORD, the president of the London Society, stated, in dealing with the town-planning aspect of the scheme, that in his view the whole problem should be considered in relation to London as a whole and not only as dealing with a railway problem, and took exception to what he regarded as an arterial road being made before planning the area to be served, and he asked that the scheme should be tested by broad principles and truisms. First, the lay-out should consider development as well as traffic, as the area involved is in the central and most important part of London; secondly, good sites are wanted on both banks. The scheme is defective in this respect. Those on the north side are meagre and shallow. On the south side they are irregular triangles and wedges. Thirdly, viaducts, tunnels, and vaults are undesirable. Acres and acres of vaults are created, thereby destroying values, instead of creating them, and the scheme would prevent the development of the Surrey side. Fourthly, bridge traffic should be divided and dispersed as soon as possible, and congestion in the Strand would be serious. Fifthly, shore-to-shore connexion is desirable.

Lord Crawford pointed out that, through there being no access to the bridge from the Embankment, a vehicle desiring to go from the Hotel Metropole on to the bridge would have to go all round by the Strand, some 1,200 yards, before beginning to cross the river. Sixthly, there should be easier road gradients. Some of the gradients on the Surrey side were as steep as 1 in 30, and artificial hills should not be made. Seventhly, easy access to and from stations. The proposed arrangements in this respect would cause inconvenience to the companies' passengers; further, the termini would be hemmed inside a triangle, expansion being impossible. In conclusion, Lord Crawford stated that a replanning of the scheme to provide some satisfactory sites for rebuilding would, in addition to improving the appearance, reduce the cost by additional recoupment values.

REPLY FOR THE L.C.C.

SIR PERCY SIMMONS, on behalf of the London County Council, described the recent history of the proposals for the removal of the existing railway bridge and the construction of a road bridge. He said he was quite satisfied that every scheme which had been suggested during the last 30 years for dealing with this problem had been most carefully examined before the present proposals were settled. Many of the schemes were hopeless from the traffic point of view, and traffic was the primary consideration. His Council were satisfied, as was the Ministry of Transport, that the scheme does deal more effectively and better with the traffic than any other scheme, providing as it does, among other things, excellent facilities for linking up with the tubes.

Dealing with Sir Reginald Blomfield's points on the subject of cost, Sir Percy Simmons did not see how any less expensive scheme could be devised which would be satisfactory. With regard to Sir Reginald's complaint that, from the architectural point of view, there would not be much of a vista, he did not understand how Sir Reginald could obtain the vista he desired and at the same time cope with the traffic difficulties.

With regard to the Surrey side, there would, he hoped, be a beautiful embankment garden. From the traffic point of view, the scheme must be considered in relation to the traffic difficulties now existing at the Elephant and Castle and Vauxhall Cross. The scheme would not prevent these matters being dealt with, and proposals for improving the present conditions at these points were actively under consideration, and there would be nothing to prevent further improvements on the Surrey side. Consideration was now being given to the question of the improvement of the traffic facilities north of the Nurse Cavell statue.

He pointed out that Sir Edwin Lutyens had been consulted, and had signed the plan showing the lay-out, and in its preparation he had a free hand within the limits dictated by engineering and traffic requirements. He added that, within the limits above referred to, they would welcome any suggestions, which would receive every consideration. He pointed out that the Council intended to go forward with the Bill, and that, in his opinion, it was the only chance this generation would have of getting Charing Cross Bridge. With regard to the design of the bridge and the viaducts the Council would no doubt desire that these should be put out to open competition.

MINISTER'S STATEMENT

The MINISTER of TRANSPORT, in reply, stated that he could not undertake on behalf of the Government to ask the London County Council to withdraw the Bill and start more or less *de novo*, and prepare a fresh scheme at this stage. Some amendments might be made as the Bill proceeded, but, as the Ministry had been in the closest association with the Council, it would be a very serious matter for him now to suggest that the scheme was fundamentally wrong and should be withdrawn. Indeed, he thought it would be dangerous to do so from the point of view of those who wanted a bridge at Charing Cross. As he viewed the matter it was divided into four parts, traffic, engineering, valuation, and architecture, and the best advice had been obtained under each of these heads.

On the traffic aspects, apart from his own personal knowledge of the problem, it would be difficult for him to set aside the traffic advice which had been received from Sir Henry Maybury and other experts who, since the London Traffic Act was passed, had made a very close study of the traffic problem, had collected most valuable material, and had acquired a scientific knowledge of the movement of London traffic. Further, he had had the advantage of the advice of the London Traffic Advisory Committee, who generally concurred in the scheme. Nor could he ignore the opinions and advice of the railway company upon traffic matters, for their interests, and those of their passengers, were seriously affected.

With regard to the proposal that the bridge should be connected directly with the Embankment, if this were done much of the traffic crossing the bridge from the Surrey side and going north would proceed up Northumberland-avenue into Trafalgar-square. Traffic in Northumberland-avenue in this direction had increased by approximately 25 per cent. in the last four years. It now amounted in the peak hours to over 1,000 vehicles per hour, was still growing, and likely to do so. Further, Trafalgar-square, to which Northumberland-avenue leads, already handles daily in 12 hours nearly 60,000 vehicles, and this traffic also continues to increase.

The Embankment also already carried much fast traffic, which was increasing, and in addition there was an intensive tramway service which, in his opinion, was a most valuable asset in London travelling facilities. Accordingly, to bring the traffic from the bridge on to the Embankment in these circumstances would, in his opinion, invite a very difficult traffic position. It was for these reasons that the lay-out on the north side of the river had been decided upon, so as to avoid the difficulties which would otherwise arise at the Embankment, in Northumberland-avenue, and Trafalgar-square.

SITE OF NEW STATION

With regard to the site of the proposed new station it was true that the original intention was that it should be set back further from the river than was now proposed. The railway company objected, as they were entitled to do in their own interests and those of their passengers. They suggested that if the present station were to be moved at all, it should be to the site now proposed, and upon a close examination of this proposal the advisers of the Council and the Ministry came to the conclusion that it was a better scheme as it would provide far greater facilities for passengers to reach the London tube system.

Mr. Morrison further pointed out that the level determined for the railway must control the level of the bridge and the height at which it must go. This feature involved the viaducts and the so-called tunnels, which are not tunnels in the sense of burrowing, but will merely be roads roofed in to carry the station. He was unable to accept the view that such so-called tunnels need by any means be unsightly.

On the engineering side he was satisfied that the best advice procurable had been obtained and, with regard to the valuation aspect of the matter, full advantage had been taken of the advice of the Government valuer and the Council's valuer, Mr. Frank Hunt.

As to the architectural features, Sir Edwin Lutyens had been consulted, and the deputation was in error in having asserted that he had not signed the plan of the proposed lay-out. He did not desire to suggest that Sir Edwin was responsible for the whole scheme, and he would not be prepared to agree that any architect, or body of architects, should deal with important traffic and engineering matters. All three groups of experts must have their say in evolving the best scheme. This had been done and, subject to what were considered to be traffic and engineering essentials, Sir Edwin had had a free hand.

Mr. Morrison concluded by saying that he could not ask the Council to reconsider the Bill, and he wanted to make it quite clear that in this matter the Ministry of Transport, both under the last Government and under this Government, had worked hand in hand with the London County Council, and had been consulted at every stage, and had arrived at the conclusion that the scheme proposed was the best practicable one in the circumstances. At the same time he welcomed the criticisms of those important bodies whose interests the deputation represented, and he could assure them that within the limits of the present proposals he personally, and the County Council, would welcome any suggestions for the best possible architectural treatment of a scheme which, he was sure, would offer great architectural opportunities.

DOCKYARD HOLIDAY

OPPOSITION TO ADMIRALTY DECISION

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

PORTSMOUTH, JAN. 13

Next August Bank Holiday week has been chosen as Navy Week at the home dockyards. The Admiralty have intimated to the men through the joint Whitley Council that they propose to close all the yards during this week so that the men may then take in a body the six days' holiday with pay recently granted.

That concession comes into operation for the first time this year. In the view of the Admiralty, it is desirable, on grounds of economy and convenience, that the week specified should be regarded as the workmen's holiday period, and the yards closed for that period. The men's representatives on the Whitley Council object to the Admiralty plan on the ground that the week selected is the one when holiday-making is the most expensive and inconvenient of the whole summer. Instead of the same week applying to all the yards, the men's representatives suggest that each yard should choose its own holiday week.

The various yard committees are now being consulted on the matter, and their views are to be laid before the Admiralty by January 23. The joint Whitley Council propose that the dockyard holiday shall be taken the week before August Bank Holiday.

READING TOWN COUNCILLOR'S DEATH

The inquest on the body of COLONEL FRANCIS REGINALD HYBART, a member of the Reading Town Council and chairman of the Reading Conservative Association, was held at Reading yesterday. Colonel Hybart was found dead in his office last Friday, the office being full of gas.

Evidence was given to the effect that the body was found in an upstairs lavatory in a leaning position over the wash basin, with the head on one arm. The gas-jet above the basin was turned on. Mrs. Mary Hayward Hybart, the widow, said that her husband had been in very bad health lately. He had never threatened to take his life, and she knew of no serious trouble that might have been affecting him. On one occasion when he had been over-tired he had collapsed. The CORONER said that usually in cases of suicide by gas the victims made themselves as comfortable as possible, but in this case even the door was found to be unlocked. Dr. E. F. Edmunds, police surgeon, said that Colonel Hybart had suffered from slight valvular disease of the heart. It was quite likely that he had a fainting fit as he was about to light the gas. The CORONER said that at first sight it appeared to be a case of suicide, but the police, after searching in every available manner, had found no note or message or preparations such as were usually made in cases of suicide. He recorded an open verdict.

RAIL AND ROAD TRANSPORT

CO-ORDINATION PROBLEMS

Mr. Ashton Davies, of the L.M. and S. Railway, read a paper before the Institute of Transport last evening on the co-ordination of transport.

Co-ordination in practice, he said, must lie largely in the revision of the existing arrangements in local detail, and the whole of the workings would require to be reviewed from the new angle of cooperation. At the earliest opportunity the dead wood of both railway and road organizations must be pruned away. Any mileage run by one or other entirely in excess of traffic requirements, where the superfluity had been occasioned by competition between the now co-ordinated parties, must go. Unprofitable mileage which was part of a development policy would of course not enter into this category.

In the nature of things opportunities for economizing in mileage would arise more frequently on the railways than on the roads. Every railway officer was painfully aware of certain branch lines which, originally provided at considerable cost to connect towns or villages with main lines, had virtually been deserted by passenger traffic in favour of the more frequent or direct services which the motor omnibuses could provide and by reason of the convenience of the omnibus in affording almost door to door transit for the short distance passenger.

Facilities for exchange of traffic between railway and road transport would be created. No longer would there be an object in discouraging passengers from continuing by road a journey begun by rail or *vice versa* and through-booking of passengers and inter-availability of tickets might be expected to become a normal feature when the arrangements had settled down.

Station courtyard accommodation for vehicles and station accommodation of various kinds for passengers would in some cases be a valuable asset to the road undertakings allied with the railway companies, and where circumstances admitted central railway stations would tend to be not railway stations alone but real traffic centres from which journeys could be made by railway or by road, and changes effected from one to the other with the least difficulty. Travel would tend to be encouraged by the united facilities of the railway and road operators, whose organizations would be complementary.

A problem to be settled was how to ensure in future that capital was not expended on the provision of transport in excess of the requirements, bearing in mind that all such capital not earned upon was the sinking of national wealth. No one would cavil at expenditure within reasonably generous limits for road development, as provision needed to be made beyond the measure of immediate requirements, but were we satisfied that under existing arrangements the whole transport situation was considered before heavy expenditure was embarked upon and the possibilities of distributing the flow of traffic over the existing means of transport observed?

A main line of railway was more than a private property. It was a national asset and in most cases a national necessity. The private capital represented by the line of railway was after all part of the national wealth, and if traffic with which the railway had the capacity to deal was taken from the railway system and passed along the road between the same places, there was an injury to a public as well as to a private interest. If, further, by reason of that increased user of the road and the decreased user of the railway, additional capital was spent upon the widening or maintenance of the road, a double injury was caused for which the community some time would foot the bill.

REBUILDING WEAK BRIDGES

During the discussion COLONEL C. H. BRESSEY, chief engineer of the Roads Department of the Ministry of Transport, said there was one type of improvement in which railway and road interests could now combine with equal enthusiasm, namely the strengthening and reconstruction of the innumerable weak bridges over railways and canals which constitute such a bar to the movement of traffic in many parts of the country, notably the Midlands, the Black Country, and the Potteries. These bridges were designed to carry loads falling far short of the weight and speed of those which are common to-day. Here they had a task which was unquestionably and urgently necessary, and which, incidentally, would provide invaluable work for the steel trade and other depressed industries.

MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORT DUTIES

WARNING AGAINST THEIR WITHDRAWAL

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BIRMINGHAM, JAN. 13

Members of the Midland branch of the National Union of Manufacturers at their annual meeting at Birmingham to-day expressed the opinion that the withdrawal of the McKenna silk, sugar, and safeguarding duties would be disastrous to the industries concerned, seriously injure our home and export trade, and result in increased unemployment. They urged the Government not only to continue the existing duties but also to provide machinery for their extension to other industries in suitable cases.

Mr. GEORGE TERRELL, president of the Union, said that when the last Conservative Government was returned to power it had a clear but limited mandate for the extension of safeguarding, but through divided councils, and possibly through inefficiency, it failed lamentably to come up to their expectations. They might well ask where were the leaders of the party to-day. A great campaign had been started, but the Conservative leaders were silent. They might do much to direct and support the movement. "Occasionally," Mr. Terrell added, "you hear a sound like the fluttering of a sparrow, but in the main they are silent. Their supporters are bewildered, and it is only natural that this silence should be construed to their disadvantage."

Mr. P. J. HANNON, M.P., who presided, commented on what he described as the gratifying fact that in a somewhat darkened economic world great leaders of public opinion with power to influence national thought had recently seen how vital it was to our future that wisdom should prevail in the gradual evolution of our fiscal policy.

Mr. H. L. BOYCE, M.P., discussing the new Australian tariff, said that taking it as a whole and regarding it in its Imperial aspect, it seemed that there was a process at work which was steadily putting the brake on the trade between this country and its biggest market in the world outside India—a process which if allowed to continue must inevitably have a disastrous effect on inter-Empire trade. It was a process which was daily making the formation of something approaching a great Imperial economic unit at once more necessary and more difficult.

Mr. F. Dudley-Docker was re-elected president of the branch.

MISSING MAIL BAG FOUND IN A PERAMBULATOR

A few days ago a woman left a train at Clapham Junction and hired a taxicab to drive to an address in Clapham Park. She had a perambulator, which she thought was empty, and this the taxicab driver put on the front of his cab. On reaching her home it was noticed that in the perambulator was a sealed mail bag labelled "Woking to London." Inquiries showed that the bag, which contained parcels of letters, had been accidentally thrown into the perambulator at Woking station. Mrs. Nellie MacDonald, the owner of the perambulator, stated last night that she saw the mail bag at Clapham Junction, but thought it was a kit-bag, which a porter had put on the perambulator to take it out of the station while removing her luggage also. She supposed the porter put the mail bag in the front of the cab with her suit cases and the perambulator.

NEW LANCASHIRE MAGISTRATES

The following persons have been appointed in the Commission of the Peace for the County Palatine of Lancaster on the recommendation of the Lord Lieutenant:—

J. Ashworth, Blackburn; W. Barlow, Ramsbottom; J. W. Barrett, Trawden, near Colne; N. Birch, St. Helens; Mrs. A. Bottomley, Standish; T. T. Bradshaw, Tyldesley; J. Braithwaite, Ormskirk; G. K. Burgess, Carnforth; Miss D. I. Clark, Aughton, near Ormskirk; R. H. Cunliffe, Clevleys; C. Davies, Urmston; J. Eden, Rainford; G. Fogg, Ramsbottom; Sir John W. Forrest, Blackburn; J. Foster, Colborne; Dr. C. L. Graham, Wigan; Miss M. A. Hackey, Liverpool; E. Hadfield, Southport; Mrs. L. A. Hall, Nelson; Mrs. A. A. Hargreaves, Bacup; G. Hewlett, Standish; A. E. Higham, Wilpshire; J. Seddon, Whitefield; E. G. Howarth, Whitefield; W. Jackson, M.D., Nelson; Mrs. E. Lomax, Swinton; J. Macdonald, Liverpool; Dr. F. F. Mannix, Lancaster; A. Marrow, Trafford Park; T. J. Melville, Irlam; J. Molyneux, Wigan; J. Pearson, Atherton; T. W. T. Pemberton-Hornby, Burton, near Carnforth; W. J. Rich, Coniston; W. M. Rogerson, Walkden; S. Rowbotham, Rainford; Mrs. E. Scar, Prestwood; F. Scholes, Radcliffe; J. Seddon, Whitefield; E. G. Smith, Haverbreaks, Lancaster; W. A. Spofforth, Westhoughton, near Bolton; A. C. Sturrock, Eccles; Mrs. A. E. Teare, Prestwich; Colonel R. Thompson, Grange over Sands; R. T. Turnbull, Ramsbottom; W. Wardle, Old Trafford; A. Waring, Great Harwood; J. A. Whalley, Bacup; J. W. White, Birtdale; and S. W. Williams, Astley.

ENGINEERS' WAGES

PROPOSED NATIONAL STANDARD

(FROM OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT)

At a conference in London to-morrow week of the executive committees of the engineering trade unions an important alteration of the joint wages policy will be proposed. It may be recalled that the employers last November refused the application for an advance of time workers' wages by 8s. a week, and corresponding improvements in piece rates, on the two grounds that the state of the industry did not warrant an increase of the costs of production, and, moreover, that engineering and all other industries were threatened with additional burdens owing to the commitments and policy of the Government.

The new proposal which will come before the conference of the union executives is that the claim for a specific advance of wages should be abandoned, for the simple reason that it will not be conceded, and that the unions are not in a position to threaten a strike; and that, instead, the engineering employers should be asked to follow the lead of the shipbuilding employers and establish national standard wages for both skilled and unskilled men who are plain time-rate workers. The shipbuilding employers' scheme provided for a levelling up of wages below the standard, but left wages above the standard untouched. The supporters of the proposal to be laid before the unions are hopeful that tangible benefits to the men in the engineering industry might be secured.

NEW GROUP IN CHURCH ASSEMBLY

SAFEGUARDING OF CLERICAL INDEPENDENCE

A correspondent writes:—

"Recent legislation affecting the clergy (especially the Pensions Measure and the Dilapidations Measure) has aroused a great deal of irritation among the parochial clergy, who feel that their rights have been neglected and their independence menaced by this legislation. This was shown most emphatically in the elections last summer of Proctors to the Lower Houses of Convocation, when over 90 new members were returned. One outcome of this has been the formation of a Group of Proctors called the 1929 Group.

"This group is an association of proctors formed to protect the status and independence of the clergy and has nothing whatever to do with questions of doctrine and ritual. The chairman is Canon R. Blakeney, Vice Dean and Canon Residentiary of Peterborough Cathedral. The hon. treasurer is the Rev. H. L. Fosbrooke, Proctor for Lincoln, and the hon. secretary is the Rev. H. Gathorne Crabtree, Proctor for St. Albans. The group has already a membership of 44.

"A conference of the group has just been held at which it was decided to put forward motions at the forthcoming session of the Church Assembly asking for committees of inquiry to be appointed with a view to obtaining amendments of the Pensions Measure and the Dilapidations Measure. Any proctors who wish for further information are invited to communicate with the hon. secretary."

FREEDOM IN INSURANCE

ADDRESS AT THE LONDON INSTITUTE

Speaking last night at the Insurance Institute of London on "Foreign Legislation as affecting Insurance Companies," Mr. GUY JOHNSON said that insurance could be regarded as a commodity which must be used in every class of business, and by its nature it was cheapest and best in the freest market. The less it was controlled by legislation the better it became from the point of view of the community. Legislation designed to regulate insurance was two-edged, for if it was effective to achieve its purpose it lulled to sleep the proper watchfulness of the insurance public, and if it was not effective it betrayed the public into a confidence which was not justified, and so might lead to disaster.

Further, in so far as restrictions were imposed on the freedom of the market, the cost of insurance might be maintained at an unduly high level. It might be contended that too much freedom was injurious to national companies and that insurance, like other commodities, might be dumped to injure them. A Government would hesitate, however, before it prevented foreigners from making a present to its nationals of genuine security at or below cost. If the cost was too great the remedy lay in more, not in less, liberty.

Insurance, Mr. Johnson proceeded, transacted in many countries was most beneficial to their peoples by placing at their service large funds. The value of this service would be seen if a country were imagined in which insurance was conducted entirely by foreign companies and the experience was such that expenses and losses were equal to the premiums. In that case the public would have obtained at no cost to itself invaluable security. The companies hoped to make a profit, but it was clear that when they were fortunate enough to do so at least some of the balance must be regarded as a well-earned reward for the use of the funds. The way to prevent the amount taken away from being excessive was to refrain from interfering with freedom of competition, which would itself prevent the foreigner, or the national, from obtaining more than an adequate reward for his services. If, in spite of this freedom, foreigners still carried on business it was because they were justifying their position. While the prospect of immediate advantage might offer temptation to encourage legislation, first in one place and then in another, there could be no doubt that, taking the business as a whole, it was on consistent resistance to the encroachment of Governments that the welfare of the future depended.

Comment on the address is made in our City columns.

HACKNEY ELECTRICITY EXTENSION

BRITISH TENDER RECOMMENDED

Though there is a difference of about £21,000 in the price, the Hackney Borough Council will be asked to-morrow by their electricity committee to accept a tender for British-made turbine house plant in connexion with the 30,000kw. extension at the Millfields-road generating station, in preference to a tender for plant made mainly in Germany. The tender for the latter plant amounted to £34,516, but the committee state that the specifications put forward would not reach the ordinary "standard" machine of British manufacture. They were advised that the steam efficiency of this turbine would be unlikely to reach the level of that which could be depended upon from any of the British designs.

The committee pass over a British tender on the ground that the company has not built a turbine of this capacity, and recommend the acceptance of the tender of C. A. Parsons and Co., Limited, for £105,484. Other contracts recommended for acceptance include:—

Boiler house, plant, and buildings.—Simon-Garves, Limited, £222,039.

Switchgear.—A. Reyrolle and Co., Limited, £77,900.

Turbine house and other buildings.—J. Jarvis and Sons, Limited, £39,893.

THE PRINCE OF WALES AND COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

The Prince of Wales has sent a wireless message to Mr. Foster G. Robinson, of Bristol, president of the Appeal for the Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Institution, wishing it every success. According to the time of despatch on the message, it was probably sent off when the ss. Kenilworth Castle was between the Cape Verd Islands and the Senegal coast on Saturday evening. The Prince of Wales was president of the Appeal in 1921. The institution maintains 500 annuitants, mainly widows of commercial travellers, at a cost of £20,000 each year. The festival dinner will be held this year in April, when the result of the collection made by Mr. Foster Robinson will be announced.

STATE OF TRADE

HOPEFUL PROSPECTS FOR EXPORT COAL

(FROM OUR TRADE CORRESPONDENT)

Reports from the chief coal exporting districts show that there is a strong hope of the continuance of active shipments throughout January. Prices remain firm. Arrears of deliveries have been substantially reduced. Apart from the Italian contracts placed in South Wales, and the Brazilian Railway contracts, there is little activity in the forward market, but this does not unduly worry sellers, who are counting on a steady flow of general business over the first quarter of the year. The total coal and coke shipments from the Tyne last year were 3,500,000 tons more than in 1928. The exports of anthracite coal also continue on a heavier scale.

IRON AND STEEL.—While still hopeful in tone, with inquiries a little more numerous, the iron and steel districts report that actual business is still confined to very narrow limits. Meanwhile the heavy aggregate tonnage output promises to be maintained, as producers have yet to complete a substantial part of running contracts. The output is probably heaviest in departments manufacturing shipbuilding, bridgebuilding, and railway construction materials. In the tinplate trade full order-books are reported from many of the works, and the position is expected to improve shortly, but the galvanized sheet trade and some other sections are disappointingly quiet. Last year's output of steel is now estimated at 9,650,000 tons, the highest production yet achieved, except in one of the War years.

SHIPBUILDING AND ENGINEERING.—Very few shipbuilding contracts are being announced, and some concern is felt, particularly on the Clyde, at the prospects for the current year. So far as can be judged at present there will soon be no warships under construction on the river, and some of the large liners on hand are approaching completion. In other shipbuilding areas some further orders are announced. In land engineering a fair amount of new work is being obtained, a good proportion of it being for home and overseas railways.

COTTON.—While production shows little or no improvement and many spindles are still stopped, new business is a little better than had been expected. The chief feature is the increased inquiry from India, largely because of the removal of the fears that there might be a boycott of imports of cloth, and all types of light fabrics have been in moderate request.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING.—The retail sales are now absorbing attention, and the results are awaited with interest, for it is doubtful whether they will equal those of a year ago. In the wholesale section, departments in many of the houses are fast filling up with deliveries of new goods from the manufacturers for the spring season. The smallness of seasonal orders is again a serious problem for manufacturers. Fabric and leather-glove buyers are limiting their spring orders and await the Budget statement to learn whether the safeguarding duty will be allowed to run its full five years' period, which expires next December, or will be removed in April.

HOSIERY.—The Leicester Chamber of Commerce reports that 1929 closed on a disappointing note for hosiery manufacturers generally. While some manufacturers, mostly of a specialized class, have been well employed, business generally in the hosiery trade has been below par. The huge quantities of foreign-made hosiery and underwear imported into Great Britain during 1929 have, the report adds, had a markedly serious effect on employment.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—At Northampton trade continues quiet; in the country districts business is very uneven. In one or two centres some anxiety is felt concerning the scarcity of young women workers. At Leicester, according to the Chamber of Commerce, trade for the time of the year is quite up to the average, and manufacturers are anticipating better business.

** Further reports on the state of trade appear every week in *The Times Trade and Engineering Supplement.*

APPEAL OF BOOKMAKER'S CLERK

CONVICTION QUASHED

At the Court of Quarter Sessions, Guildhall, yesterday, EDMUND O'HARA, a bookmaker's clerk, appealed against a conviction under section 4 of the Vagrancy Act, 1824, of being a suspected person loitering with intent to commit felony and a sentence of three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

On November 18 O'Hara and another man were charged before Alderman Sir Percy Vincent, at Guildhall Justice Room, with loitering with intent to steal, and on the evidence of Detectives Coman and Lane were convicted. One of the grounds for the appeal was that O'Hara was refused an application for a remand in order that he might be legally represented before the magistrate.

Detective-constable Coman, questioned by Mr. ALDERMAN GUNTON (one of the magistrates), said that after O'Hara had been charged he made some statement to the effect that on the day of his arrest he had an appointment with a man in the City.

Mr. ALDERMAN GUNTON.—How is it that this has to be dragged out of you? Why didn't you tell that to the magistrate before whom these men were charged?

The RECORDER (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.).—It was a most important statement.

The witness.—I did not repeat it because I had not cautioned the man, and he had not intimated that he desired to make a statement in his defence.

The RECORDER pointed out that O'Hara had been convicted before as a suspected person, but only once for "actually doing something."

The CHAIRMAN (Alderman Sir George Truscott) said the decision of the Bench was to allow the appeal with costs, and to quash the conviction.

THE GOVERNMENT URGED TO ECONOMIZE

RESOLUTION OF MANCHESTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The board of directors of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce passed yesterday, by 14 votes to seven, a resolution, proposed by SIR EDWARD RHODES and seconded by SIR EDWIN STOCKTON, as follows:—"That the board of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce draw attention to the detrimental effect on industrial and commercial enterprise of the growing uncertainty concerning the policy of the Government in the forthcoming Budget. Apprehension of fresh burdens of direct taxation is undermining confidence in the future. Fear of disturbance to some of the existing excise and import duties is undoubtedly hampering progress and development of the trades concerned, and the board consider that the duties should remain unaltered. The board wish to emphasize with all the force at their command their profound conviction that rigid economy in national expenditure is more than ever necessary to-day. Recent additions to the national charges, however meritorious their purpose, can only be viewed with the greatest alarm, and the board therefore urge the Government to restore confidence by giving some clear indication of their intention to practise this economy."

SIR C. COBB AND "VEXATIOUS" PARK REGULATION

Sir Cyril Cobb, of Cornwall-terrace, Regent's Park, made a protest at the Marylebone Police Court yesterday against what he described as a vexatious park regulation that a dog should not be allowed to run loose in a portion of the park between the outer and inner circles. He was summoned for allowing his unmuzzled dog to run loose in Regent's Park, and he said he must plead "Guilty." Addressing the magistrate, he said that it would be a very good thing if this were made a test case, so that people would know where they were in regard to these "vexatious regulations." There was no conceivable reason why dogs should not be allowed to run loose in this area of about 120 yards, bordered on one side by rough grass and on the other by ground from which the fencing had been removed since the flowers had been taken out. The MAGISTRATE (Mr. Bingley) said he was not going to take upon himself to say that the regulation was vexatious. The penalty prescribed was £5, and the defendant must pay 5s.

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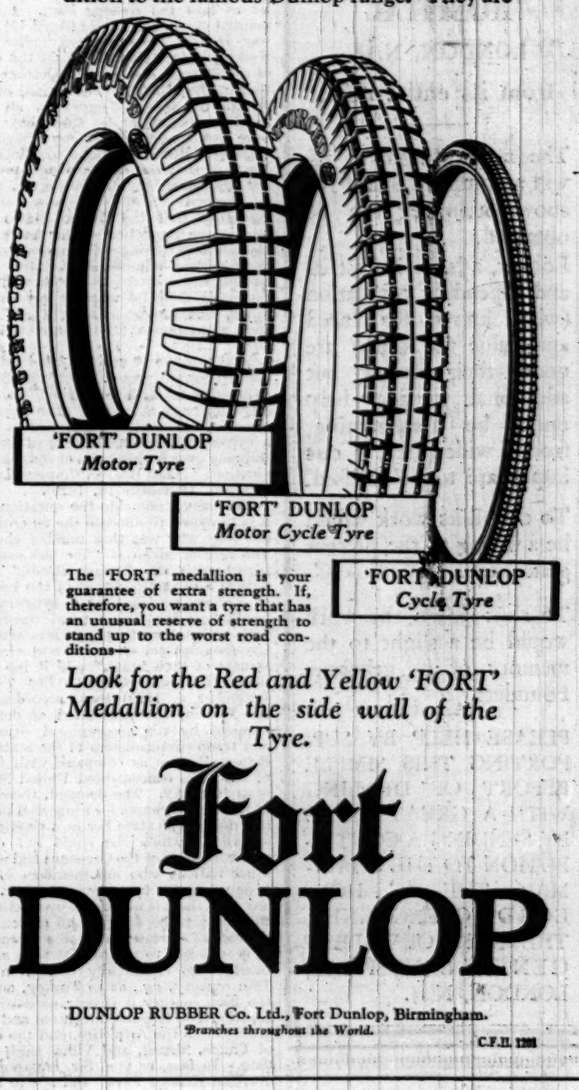

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Letters to the Editor

NAVAL CONFERENCE

THE FIFTY CRUISERS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The statement of the First Lord of the Admiralty on January 10, giving the Kellogg Pact as the principal reason for the acceptance by the Board of Admiralty of 50 cruisers instead of 70 cruisers (which was held to be the absolute minimum for our requirements by the Board of Admiralty up to May last, *cp.* Hansard, House of Lords, December 18, 1929), shows, as you say in your leading article, "the urgent need of a comprehensive and reasoned statement of the principles on which the Government is approaching the whole subject of the Naval Conference" (*The Times*, December 11, 1929).

Meanwhile, it is desirable to examine the First Lord's statement, and first let us take the Kellogg Pact. I have pointed out in *The Times* (April 11) that war is still possible even under the Kellogg Pact, which recognizes the right of self-defence, and further (October 15), that in the debates in the United States Senate on the Kellogg Pact all the speakers wished to be sure that they were not committed to any obligation whatever. But if England is to reduce her Navy so that she can no longer protect her commerce by which she lives, what is required is a definite hard-and-fast guarantee that the United States will join in the protection of our trade and abstain from trading with our enemies. A distinguished admiral has stated that nothing less is of any use to us, and it is extremely doubtful whether any United States Government can or would give such a guarantee (*The Times*, October 15).

Next as to the 70 cruisers, Lord Jellicoe pointed out at Geneva in 1927 that 25 are required to act with the Battle Fleet, and, allowing for an average of 12 to be under repair, there are left 33 to protect "on a typical day 9,500,000 tons of British shipping over 80,000 miles of sea communications" (Lord Beatty, House of Lords, Hansard, December 18, 1929).

Putting on one side the question how it is proposed to allocate the 50 cruisers, one asks why was that number chosen. The answer given is "for the sake of parity with the United States." But Article 8 of the Covenant of the League of Nations provides for a reduction of forces "to the lowest point consistent with national safety taking into account the geographical situation and circumstances of each State," and it has been shown in your columns (*The Times*, December 6, 1929) that, according to the French, the proportion of defence required by the geographical situation and trade circumstances of the scattered British Empire as compared with those of the more concentrated United States is as 10 to 4.2. The demand, therefore, of the United States for numerical parity is a demand to place her in a position of superiority which she could not claim under Article 8 of the Covenant and which other nations who are members of the League might be slow to admit. In any case, there is no need to over-estimate the value to be attached to agreements arrived at at international conferences. It is sufficient to record that such agreements were continually broken in the 19th century, *e.g.*, as to Turkey, and in the 20th century it is only necessary to mention The Hague Convention and Belgium before the Armistice, and the cases of Fiume, Memel, and Vilna since that date. In fact, as you, Sir, have pointed out, the Kellogg Pact "did not in itself create a new situation" (*The Times*, January 11).

The most important point, however, in connexion with the 50 cruisers is that nothing is being done to give us that number. Lord Beatty pointed out in the House of Lords on December 18 that only 24 of our existing cruisers will remain in 10 years' time. It takes three years to build a cruiser, and therefore it requires a building programme of 26 in seven years, or about four a year to give us 50. We have been told that the 1928 programme is suspended and that the 1929 programme presented in March last is also suspended (Hansard, December 18, 1929). It is therefore submitted that an immediate statement by the Government is required to clear up the position before the Conference meets, and that, failing a satisfactory statement, the public should insist on the immediate building of four cruisers to comply with the number of 50.

It is, of course, not a party question. Indeed, the record of the party politician on this subject makes one think that he is, as Voltaire said of the prophet Habakkuk, "capable de tout." In January, 1924, just before leaving office the Conservative First Lord of the Admiralty stated that:—

To meet the requirements of our Fleet and the protection of our commerce we should have to lay down 52 cruisers in the course of the next 10 years, in other words an average of five a year (Hansard, January 21, 1924).

The Labour Government which succeeded laid down five in 1924. The following Conservative Government, which came in with a majority of 200, laid down four in 1925, three in 1926 and 1927, two in 1928, and proposed to lay down three in 1929.

Looking, therefore, at the fact that the 114 cruisers were insufficient for our needs in 1914, and at subsequent developments, Lord Beatty is more than justified when he speaks of the apprehension and dismay with which the present position is viewed by experts (Hansard, December 18), especially as our affairs in this regard are being conducted with much of the secret diplomacy which was so strongly condemned a few years ago.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
GEOFFREY DRAGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Your leading article of Saturday last must surely have the full approval of all naval and informed public opinion; in particular your concluding remarks that Mr. Alexander's statement on the cruiser question only makes "the more urgent a comprehensive and reasoned statement of the principles on which the Government are approaching the whole subject-matter of the Naval Conference." Alone among the five nations we are entering the Conference without a clear-cut and definite naval policy. The Government surely cannot escape from their promise of complete publicity so widely scattered and so clearly laid down in "Labour and the Nation."

Mr. Alexander has said: "The Board of Admiralty, therefore, having regard to *all the circumstances* of to-day, and especially the Pact of Paris and improved world political relationships," agree to 50 cruisers as the minimum needs of the Empire. With great respect, I have grave doubts if the present Board of Admiralty or any past Board could base their professional views of our naval requirements on such an agreement as the Pact of Paris. It would seem they have been directed to readjust their professional view of our requirements of cruisers in accordance with a political, unwarranted, and hypothetical assumption of national security.

If it could be said that war was impossible defence forces could be reduced to a size which would only admit of their exercising the functions of a police force. The argument of the First Lord of the Admiralty that war, while still possible, is less likely has no bearing whatever on the minimum strength necessary to avoid defeat by sea.

What are the circumstances that have led the Government to make this momentous

(Continued at foot of next column)

MUSIC AND MECHANISM

SIR WALFORD DAVIES'S PROPHECY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Having suffered a week's misgivings lest strong feeling on this subject had led me to make an ill-timed appeal, wearing the appearance of "larmin' my betters," or lecturing my colleagues rather than of doing public service, it is a great and grateful relief to find Sir Hugh Allen's inspiring address—thanks to his action and to *The Times* article of yesterday—now put before the public in full and proper perspective. It surely does inaugurate, not merely the new year of music, but the new era, eventful and alarming, which the new inventions have definitely and chiefly brought to music.

We musicians can well turn to the address in full as to a year's marching orders on the many pressing subjects there surveyed. But your column of yesterday, reaching the larger music-loving public at the moment concerned, will dispel the possible misconceptions due to the publication of isolated but spicy snippets (about noise and desecration of the countryside) telegraphed from Chester to the Press of the country. It would have been a strange and regrettable irony if the presidential utterance, which officially noted the "fine and beneficent work" of the gramophone and characterized broadcast music as the musician's "ally and pace-maker," had been popularly associated with one attractively spirited gibe at their misuse. The truth about them, seen in Sir Hugh's comprehensive view of their uses, is more attractive. Allies and pace-makers they both truly are, beneficent and dangerous.

Prophecy is risky, yet I want to offer a harmless one. Seeing music to be the natural joyous affair it is, combining freedom with order, and seeing orchestras and choirs as perhaps the greatest existent engines of corporate thinking and disciplined team-work; seeing also the obvious need and effect of musical contagion through hearing the first-rate thing and then attempting it, I believe that only when an efficient wireless and gramophone room, efficiently controlled and used, has become a matter of routine equipment in every school will there arise enough keenly capable musicians, enough posts for them, with enough school orchestras and choral teams to release our musical powers and bring music into its own throughout national life. But probably long, patient years of building must first elapse, and the immediate future lies safely in the hands of a thousand musical pioneers who are already changing the face of school music.

Truly yours,
WALFORD DAVIES.

January 12.

LIBERAL PARTY FINANCES

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—I am grateful to Sir Charles Mallet, because he has stated openly what has hitherto only been hinted.

(1) He states that those who control the Liberal Party Organization "are dependent upon funds supplied by Mr. Lloyd George." If this means that a large proportion of the funds disposed of by Headquarters has been contributed in recent years from Mr. Lloyd George's fund, it is true, and has been true since 1923. But if the phrase is intended to convey anything more than this, it is untrue. The substantial sums contributed from Mr. Lloyd George's fund were transferred unconditionally, and spent independently, without any sort of interference on Mr. Lloyd George's part. I cannot believe that Sir Charles Mallet means to convey the offensive suggestion (which some readers might infer from his words) that the chairman, or any member of the Organization Committee, is or has been in any way personally dependent upon Mr. Lloyd George's fund; in any case, the insinuation is absolutely untrue.

(2) Sir Charles Mallet states that "Mr. Lloyd George's fund . . . is still being actively used to subsidize agencies and candidates who will accept Mr. Lloyd George's control." This is now, and always has been, entirely untrue. In so far as candidates at recent elections needed assistance, it was always given by Headquarters, without consultation with Mr. Lloyd George. I am sure that neither Lord Gladstone, nor Mr. Vivian Phillipps, nor Sir Herbert Samuel, who have successively performed this function since 1923, ever made any such condition as Sir Charles Mallet suggests; nor will any such condition ever be even hinted at by me. So much for candidates. So far as "agencies" are concerned, no Liberal organization to which assistance has been given has ever had any such condition imposed upon it or suggested to it.

Yours, &c.,
RAMSAY MUIR, Chairman, Liberal Organization Committee.

21, Abingdon-street, S.W.1, Jan. 13.

MILK AND INFECTION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—I agree with Professor Kenwood that the majority of the nation cannot afford certified milk and that they must depend on pasteurized milk. Theoretically I agree with him that pasteurized milk is safe, but practically during the last few years I have found on several occasions that it is not safe. I had occasion to suspect the milk as a cause of illness among children during the summer months. Samples of pasteurized milk were taken before the milk entered the house, before, therefore, any contamination could have taken place. These samples were examined bacteriologically. In all these instances it was reported to be in a filthy condition. The pasteurization plant of the milk vendor was also examined, and was found to be teeming with micro-organisms, the *bacillus coli* being particularly numerous. After the complaint had been lodged and the apparatus thoroughly cleaned, the number of micro-organisms found in the milk at once dropped to normal. There can be no doubt that the enteritis from which these children were suffering was caused by the foul condition of the pasteurizing plant. I feel strongly that there should be periodic inspection of the pasteurization plants by the Government in order to ensure a really safe milk supply for the nation, and more especially the children.

Yours faithfully,
Kensington. RONALD CARTER, M.D.

THE WORD "HIKE"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Lord Baden-Powell may appreciate the following extract from "A General Dictionary of Provincialisms," by William Holloway (1838):—

To HIKE [Higan, Sax. to hie.] To push with the horns. *Craven* (in the Western Riding).

To go away, used generally in a contemptuous sense, as "Hike off," get away as quickly as you can or I will compel you. *York. Norf. Suss. Hants.*

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY C. E. RYLEY.
Whitefriars, Rochester, Jan. 11.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Joseph Wright's "English Dialect Dictionary" classifies as many as 15 meanings for the word "hike." All express rapid movement, transitive or intransitive, and in one sense or another the word appears to be in use in most parts of the country. In the sense of "move suddenly or hastily," "go away," and with "off" and "out," "decamp, slink away" (generally in the imperative), it is in wide circulation.

Yours faithfully,
READER OF THE E.D.D.

decision? I submit that no single reason has been advanced which justifies the reduction from 70 cruisers to 50. The Government statement is obscure and lacking in sincerity, where it is not jejune and misleading.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
T. P. H. BEAMISH, Rear-Admiral.
House of Commons, S.W.1, Jan. 13.

CHARING CROSS BRIDGE

PLANNING THE SOUTH SIDE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—It has taken nearly 30 years to bring within the sphere of possibilities the great London improvement scheme associated with Charing Cross Bridge, and to-day there is danger ahead. May I sound a note of warning? Most of the excellent persons whose actions threaten the present proposals are also stalwart defenders of Waterloo Bridge. Do they realize that, if they go too far, those who think of "traffic" only may then turn round and say, "Well, we have done our very best for you; and you will not have it. Right; that will save us many millions! We will leave Charing Cross Bridge to stand as your monument, and we will pull down Rennie's Waterloo Bridge and build our brand new traffic bridge there instead."

Now the whole trouble is this. Daily, for two generations, ever increasing tens of thousands of people, much produce, much trade, have come into South London on rails, and nothing, no free-wheel motor vehicles, no flying-machines, can alter that arrangement. For in mass reckoning it must always be the cheapest method. Trains are impossible unless they are entirely independent of cross traffic, so they were brought in on a high level, and naturally, for in those days most of South London was still unbuilt on, and no one out of a lunatic asylum would then have thought of condemning these masses—not only of travellers, remember, but of railway workers—to spend their time underground, quite unnecessarily. We are, therefore, faced with a "fait accompli," the existence of overhead traffic and the need for viaducts, and, though this may be unfortunate, nobody is going to spend a hundred millions to alter it. Those who think otherwise are baying at the moon. Switch-backing up and down all the Southern lines and sidings is quite inconceivable. Moreover, we realize to-day that electrified trains are no uglier, dirtier, or noisier than a string of tramway cars and that people can live and work quite comfortably on the side of their tracks. Also, we know that no bridges need be ugly, and that, on ground-level, under their arches, we have the opportunity for sheltered stopping places for omnibuses and tramcars. Beneath Piccadilly-circus now we realize both how to climb up and down and the gay advertisement value of places where people perforce crowd together.

We are imagining a great traffic-centre for all arriving from Southern England, and perhaps the new station might be erected rather farther back than as at present drawn; but do remember this: that we are looking forward to a reconstruction of over a hundred acres, and spreading even farther in days to come—a transformation entirely altering their character and value; that the lines not only of Belvedere-road and the minor streets, but of York-road itself may be shifted; and that a station and hotel facing the river might be magnificent. We want a lead, a strong lead, with heavy money behind it; have not the architects forgotten that? We are out for improvement, and this would give us the immense advantage that it would at once set a standard for fine building, rising, as it probably would, above a terraced roadway joining the two bridges which would frame its façade, and looking down upon a garden on the river bank. For a multitude it would be the great Gateway of London.

And the bridge itself must be not only beautiful but great also, for in its bowels must be a covered way for foot passengers in bad weather, and ample accommodation for every conceivable form of pipe and wire connexion which in the future may have to be carried across the river. We need not be afraid of its bulk, for the scale of this whole section of London is going to aggrandize to that of Whitehall Court and the County Hall. And the view from it will be magnificent.

I cannot ask, Sir, for space to-day to deal with the north bank, but I am still unrepentant of the idea that one of the chief uses of the new bridge will be to carry through traffic uninterruptedly to the north, and that for this there should be a further bridge across the Strand. And for mercy's sake do not let us block the Embankment—at present the only real speed-road through London. These are all traffic and town-planning points, looking far ahead. We know that, whatever happens, we can rely on the architects to give us beauty.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
GEORGE S. C. SWINTON.
The Carlton Club, S.W.1, Jan. 10.

THE TWO-SHIFT SYSTEM

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Dr. Marion Phillips, M.P., in your issue of to-day objects to the two-shift system for young children and women, one of the reasons given being that it "lowers the standard of health of the workers." It would have been useful if Dr. Phillips had produced her evidence for this statement. The following extracts are taken from the annual report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for the year 1928, referring to the "two-shift" system:—

Page 51.—"The women deputy superintending inspectors who have made exhaustive inquiries into the working of these orders find that the workers concerned do not show any very decided general approval or disapproval of the system; some are enthusiastic about it; others indifferent, and a few dislike it, but prefer it to being unemployed."

"The question of the effect on health of shift work has also been investigated and reported upon for several years past. One such investigation was carried out by the Industrial Fatigue Research Board, and the investigators state in their report (No. 47) that 'neither system (day shift or two-shift) was shown to have any advantage over the other in respect of the sickness experienced.' The investigators of the Fatigue Board have special facilities for making exhaustive inquiries and for testing any statements made, and it is interesting to find that their conclusions confirm the statements made at factories where sickness records are kept that absenteeism due to illness is no higher amongst shift workers than amongst ordinary day workers."

Page 53.—"On the whole, the advantages of the system at present appear to outweigh the disadvantages, and there is no evidence of any substantial antipathy to it on the part of the workers concerned."

It cannot be denied that by working on alternate shifts each week the workers get more sunshine during the winter months, and this has a beneficial effect upon their health. Whether the two-shift system is socially desirable is a debatable point; but when Dr. Phillips attacks the system from the point of view of the health of the worker, her letter would have been more valuable if she had fortified her statements by producing some medical evidence in support.

Yours, &c.,
A. VERNON DAVIES.
The Dell, Woking, Jan. 7.

ITALIAN ART EXHIBITION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—May I through your columns plead with the authorities at the Italian Art Exhibition to provide the protection of glass for all those pictures which are hung so low as to be liable to be damaged if touched through inadvertence? The nail of a finger used as a pointer or a lady's handbag carried carelessly may at any time do irreparable mischief to one of these Primitives. I have myself already seen this contact on more than one occasion.

Yours,
EDWARD McCURDY.
The Athenæum, Pall Mall, S.W.1.

Points from Letters

FISHING IN THE WYE

We have not to go to Norway to experience the disastrous results of excessive netting. In the Wye, where scientific knowledge has been put to the test, the total annual catch of rod and nets has increased threefold since this river has been taken in hand. Unfortunately in many cases professional netsmen think only of the present, and if any legislation is proposed for the purpose of increasing the stock they at once complain that the rod angler is trying to deprive the netsmen of their living and that it is a question of their living versus the sport of the "idle rich." They will not see that a river can only be netted to a certain point to produce the maximum supply every year in which both nets and rods share.—Mr. W. LEWES, Llysnewydd, Henllan R.S.O., Cardiganshire.

SYON REACH

Not even the excellent photographs which you published on Saturday can give an idea of the beauty of Syon Reach and its refreshing breezes on a summer's eve. Ask any American visitor in August, when his native grass is parched to a cinder, what he thinks of the broad green sward by the lake leading to the river, opposite Syon House. Then let him sit down and look at Syon and its lion, while you recount the moving tale. Soon he will turn his eyes westward to view the reach unsurpassed in England for beauty. Now let him search the marsh land with field-glasses. He may see, as I have done, as many as 50 herons feeding there at one time, and wild ducks, grebes, and other birds. A sanctuary for wild things this is and should remain. But nothing is sacred to a sapper; he loves not herons, but cranes.—DR. HERBERT R. SPENCER.

NATIONALIZATION

The Socialist Party are pledged to the nationalization of coal, the nationalization of industry, of the banks, and the land. In other words, private enterprise, individual courage, initiative, and adventure are to be crushed and stamped out, and liberty is to be replaced by serfdom. The party seem to be obsessed by the theory that it is criminal to own anything. Might it not be well for their leaders to recall to mind those words of Abraham Lincoln, with which they will be familiar, when he addressed the American Workmen's Association in 1864:—"Property is the fruit of labour. Property is desirable. It is a positive good to the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise. Let not him who is houseless pull down the house of another; but let him work diligently, and build one for himself, thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built."—Mr. W. J. CUSACK, Rockingham Dene, Kettering, Northants.

POLICE ON POINT DUTY

Colonel Moore-Brabazon is delightfully naive. He dislikes the white line on the streets and the policemen on point duty because they check traffic and the speed of his motor-car. The pedestrian evidently does not come into his picture. That unfortunate person has got to get out of the way and to do it quickly.—MAJOR-GENERAL G. EGERTON, New Club, Edinburgh.

THE FOUNDATIONS OF INDUSTRY

Mr. Thomas has put his finger on the truth at last: Initiative and independence are the foundations of Britain's greatness. These qualities are not wanting in the British people. They have not suddenly died from the Great War, but they fail to function under the excessive Socialist legislation of recent years. If enterprise and initiative are taxed and supertaxed when successful and allowed to languish or die when the strain becomes too great for them; if an increasing proportion of the nation's income is devoted to doles and social services without regard to the steady fall of the international price level and the consequent reduction of profits, then we must continue to witness the gradual decline of British industry and enterprise in every field until the time comes, when the workless cannot be fed by the steadily diminishing number of profitable producers.—Mr. F. WIGGLESWORTH, 4, Branscombe-gardens, Winchmore Hill, N.21.

A GLADSTONIAN ADMONITION

I distinctly recollect that Mr. Gladstone's original admonition was "that every morsel of food should have 32 bites, so that every tooth might have its chance." At the annual dinner of the Royal Dental Hospital soon afterwards I pointed out that as the teeth work in pairs 16 bites would be sufficient for that purpose, and I believe Mr. Gladstone subsequently admitted, either in a public speech or at Sir Andrew Clark's, where I met him, that different kinds of food require different degrees of mastication, and that the expenditure of 32 bites on a spoonful of jelly would be rather a waste of time.—SIR JAMES CRICHTON-BROWNE.

ENGLISH WHEAT PORRIDGE

MRS. HORNIBROOK'S suggestion in your issue of December 30 for securing an increase in the consumption of English wheat might be extended by the use of an alternative to porridge, equally sustaining, easily prepared, and requiring no cooking—a bowl or cup of crushed wheat, one and a half tablespoonfuls, one dozen sultana raisins, and ½ pint of milk, cold or hot, left to soak for 10 minutes. I suppose that at present the millers are the only purchasers in a large way of English wheat, and if householders also could be induced to become purchasers there are possibilities of an enormous increase in the demand. But they must be shown how to make use of it in some such ways as suggested. I remember how bananas, then an unknown fruit, were introduced to the London public—an enterprising firm in the City brought Liverpool costers to London and with their barrows loaded with the new fruit at two for a penny they were soon sold out. The purchasers found they had a good thing and a ready sale for the fruit was soon established. If new methods for treatment of wheat should meet with approval then growers and others interested have the Press as a ready ally to advertise first perhaps in a limited area and then more widely if results should be favourable.—Mr. CHARLES A. FLINT, 18, East Heath-road, Hampstead.

FRENCH PRISONERS OF WAR

The following inscription appears upon a tombstone in the churchyard of East Dereham, Norfolk:—

In Memory of Jean de Narde, son of a notary public of St. Malo, a French prisoner of war, who, having escaped from the bell tower of this church, was pursued and shot by a soldier on duty—October 8th, 1799—aged 28 years.

The stone and the inscription are in good condition. The bell tower at Dereham stands close to, but not attached to, the church.—Mr. T. L. G. BURLEY, 11, Bathurst-road, Norwich.

SUBMARINE "LIGHTNING"

The ss. Antilochus on July 24, 1919, was between Minnekoi and Point de Galle. That evening we saw lights ahead, which we took for the searchlights of a man-of-war. An hour or two later we passed through very long and very thick, shall I say, "shoals" of phosphorescent animalculæ. That is what we took them to be. Needless to say, there was no man-of-war about, and these apparent beams of light were due to the phosphorescence we passed through later on.—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL T. M. WAKEFIELD, The Nightingales, Southborough, Kent.

PROFICIENCY IN LANGUAGES

Language tuition has been hampered by attempts to conduct it through some standardized phonetic system not generally adopted. Text-books have been prepared in a phonetic script for most European languages, but their study involves the acquisition of an artificial alphabet utterly useless outside the text-books and class-rooms. That brilliant linguist the late Lord Dufferin pointed out the right course in his famous Rectorial address at St. Andrews many years ago. His method was to read aloud with a native teacher, and this will do far more to enable a student to acquire correct pronunciation than laboured attempts to obtain it through obscure symbols. The German technician cited by Lord Eustace Percy acquires his linguistic powers through direct practical experience.—Mr. FRANCIS P. MARCHANT, Streatham.

CYCLISTS' REFLECTORS

Accidents between cyclists and motorists steadily increase. When the law compelling cyclists to affix a tail reflector to the cycle came into force many cyclists fixed a cheap form of reflector, and this has now ceased to reflect. The offender in many cases will be ignorant of this fact, and it is impossible for the police to detect the offence unless directly behind the cycle in the dark and with a lamp. I estimate that more than 25 per cent. of the reflectors used in country districts no longer give reflection. All fittings appear the same, more or less, in daylight. I passed a cyclist recently in heavy, blinding rain. His reflector gave me ample warning, but scarcely had I done so before I was almost into a second cyclist, whose reflector gave no warning whatever, although attached. Surely this matter requires attention and should be dealt with in the new Act or a specification issued to manufacturers of reflectors which could be depended upon.—Mr. A. FORD YOUNG, Pepperstiche, Crondall, Hampshire.

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BRIGHTON RATEPAYERS' PROTEST

OPPOSITION TO NEW BILL

CORPORATION'S CASE

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BRIGHTON, JAN. 13

A special meeting of ratepayers called to consider a Parliamentary Bill promoted to extend the powers of the Brighton Corporation was adjourned on Friday last week after disorder and uproar in which the Mayor was refused a hearing. Opponents of the measure believe that when the meeting is resumed on Thursday evening in the Prince's Hall of the Aquarium a decisive vote will be given against the Bill as it is now drafted, though they are less confident of the outcome of a poll of the borough on the proposals.

When an extension of the boundaries of Brighton was sought in 1926, the Ministry of Health called attention to the multiplication of Acts and Provisional Orders by which the administration of the town was regulated, and suggested the need for a Consolidating Bill. I am informed that there are about 60 Acts and Orders, the first of which dates back to 1825, which would be superseded by a consolidated measure, and no ratepayer has any objection to the simplification of the existing legal powers of the Corporation. Opposition has arisen because the Corporation has combined with consolidation an endeavour to obtain a considerable number of new powers. In the opinion of those who are moving for the rejection of the Bill the Council has gone too far and is asking for authority to do things which cannot possibly be undertaken at the present time. It is felt that the town should have an opportunity of expressing its views on matters of major importance as and when they are brought forward instead of being asked to consent generally to powers which would give the Corporation a wide latitude in future years. It is urged that the Council in any case should have prepared two Bills, one a Consolidating Bill to which no objection would have been offered, and the other to incorporate proposed improvements and new provisions.

GROUNDS OF OPPOSITION

It is stated that the opposition to the present measure is entirely non-political and is directed, apart from the demand for a separation of the two objects of the Bill, against a variety of proposals. Exception is taken to the transport powers which are sought, particularly as the corporation is in negotiation with a public company concerning the running of motor-omnibuses. Many Brighton citizens do not see why they should be asked to assume responsibility for services covering a large area of East Sussex in opposition to private enterprise, and are apprehensive that any such scheme would involve them in increased financial burdens. Other persons object to the suggested construction of a new road along the coast in the direction of Rottingdean. This, it is complained, would be a costly undertaking and would take away half the gardens of a number of existing houses which now have lawns which extend to the edge of the cliff.

With regard to the further improvement and elaboration of Brighton as a pleasure resort there is a section of the population which demands a halt and a spirit of retrenchment. On this point it is probable that the borough speaks with two voices. Hotel proprietors and others whose chief desire is the attraction of visitors wish Brighton to maintain a leading position as a seaside town and to offer entertainments and amenities which shall be the equal of any to be found elsewhere in this country or across the Channel. On the other hand, there is a large body of residents who think no useful purpose would be served by further expenditure on such developments and who call for municipal economy. Brighton rates stand at the reasonable figure of 9s. in the pound, but it is submitted that this figure is misleading as there has been a substantial increase in assessments in the last 18 months. Smaller matters in dispute are described as "niggling," though they serve as focal points for interested opposition.

OFFICIAL ATTITUDE

The reply of Corporation officials to the suggestion that two Bills should have been promoted is that this idea was considered at the outset but the conclusion was reached that there would be no justification for putting the town to the expense of two measures when one would serve. In addition, the complex nature of local legislation made it impracticable to consolidate first and amend afterwards, and a Parliamentary Committee would probably have thrown out a complicated amending Bill with instructions to bring in one comprehensive measure. Amendment is essential in a consolidating Bill because powers are granted now in different terms to those which obtained a generation ago, and the wording has to conform to modern Parliamentary practice. The only large expenditure contemplated under the Bill, it is stated, is on the construction of a new arterial road from Marine-parade to Rottingdean. This was included in the provisions because it was convenient to get the powers through with the one application. They could be obtained otherwise by a Development and Road Improvement Order or a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health. The Government are giving a grant of 60 per cent. towards the cost of the road, and the scheme has been approved by the Ministry of Transport.

There is regret that owners of houses with long gardens which go down to the cliff edge will be disturbed, but it is submitted that this is inevitable owing to coast erosion, which is to be checked by a system of sea defences. An undertaking is given that the spare land acquired on the cliff side of the new road shall remain unbuilt on for all time, and that householders shall have free access to the land. On the question of transport, negotiations are now in progress with the borough of Hove and Messrs. Tillings. These are proceeding smoothly, and if they go through the agreement will probably be scheduled in the Bill. The powers at present asked for in the Bill, I gather, are chiefly sought for the purposes of negotiation.

Concessions have already been made in respect of minor provisions of the Bill, and others may be offered. Generally, it is thought by officials that much of the opposition to the Bill comes from misapprehension of its objects, or from people with small personal grievances which are points for an arbitrator rather than a vote on the Bill as a whole. It is recognized that there are persons who would oppose anything, but there is a call for a broader view that Brighton cannot stand still as a health resort, and that money must be spent. If foolish expenditure is indicated in the Bill the right of the ratepayers to condemn it is fully accepted.

THE SCIENCE OF BUILDING

IMPORTANCE OF TRADITIONAL METHODS

DR. R. E. STRADLING, director of building research, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, gave an address on "The Work of the Building Research Station" at a general meeting of the Architectural Association at the association's rooms, Bedford-square, last night. MR. F. Winton Newman, president of the association, was in the chair.

In his address DR. STRADLING said the building industry, founded on craft and skill and developed by long association with materials, had met demands in the past of no mean order, as was witnessed by many of the buildings of England. Yet they forgot at times that their building knowledge was largely a folklore worked out in terms of traditional materials to meet traditional demands. He referred to the changing conditions and to the application of scientific knowledge, and, speaking of the work of the Building Research Station, said one of the main divisions of that work was the general research which was an attempt by a close study of materials and construction to build up a science of building.

The demand for information and help was so insistent that, often at the risk of giving only partially true answers, some effort had to be made to apply scientific knowledge to immediate practical difficulties. Hence, the station also had an information bureau and a special investigation section. The information bureau was freely available to all and was becoming increasingly used.

The problem of general research was considered under the four headings, materials, weathering, structures, and strength of materials, and efficiency of buildings. He gave examples of the kind of research work undertaken, and showed that by investigation it had been possible to sort out troubles caused by the introduction of new materials which had no traditional methods of use. The address was illustrated by diagrams and lantern slides.

AN EXPERIMENT IN DIRECT LABOUR

STRIKING L.C.C. TRAMWAY SUCCESS

An interesting experiment in the carrying out of public works by direct labour made recently by the Tramways Department of the L.C.C. has yielded some surprising results. Not only were thousands of pounds saved, but the period of work was reduced by more than 30 per cent. and dislocation of traffic, one of the most important considerations, was largely avoided. This work—one of the most difficult the department has undertaken—was the reconstruction of the tramway track in Aldgate after the old hay market had been abolished and fresh stands found for the stalls of the costers.

Because of the periodical hay market in the middle of Aldgate, the two tramway tracks were laid 40ft. apart and there was little space left on either side of them for ordinary traffic. When the thoroughfare was cleared of these market obstructions, the work of re-laying the tracks closer together had to be undertaken. Now they are only 10ft. apart, and they would have been put closer still had there not been the District Railway immediately below the middle of the road. This work involved, besides the re-laying of the tracks, the shifting of a whole mass of pipe works belonging to water companies, electric light and power undertakings, the Post Office, and gas companies. One of them was a 48-in. circular gas main, which in its new position had to be replaced by an oval main of equal capacity, in order to get the necessary depth of cover. The scheme also necessitated the complete remodelling of the complicated four-ways tramway junction at the eastern end of Aldgate.

The L.C.C. first proposed to have this work done by contract and tenders were invited for the execution of the work in 13 weeks, during 10 of which the through-running of the tramway services in the area involved would be suspended. It was considered, however, that the works could be carried out with greater speed and less cost if direct labour in the tramways department were employed. That department set out to do the work as quickly as possible, and with as little inconvenience as might be to ordinary traffic and the general public, and the result was a lesson in careful arrangement and co-ordination which brought the business to a conclusion in eight weeks, saved the L.C.C. some thousands of pounds and the public a considerable period of disturbance.

THOROUGH PREPARATION

The preliminary arrangements were most thorough. Every pipe-owning authority was approached and given a detailed description of the nature and time-table of the work. A survey was prepared and some minor pipe alterations were made before the main operations started. Where new pipes had to be supplied it was provided that they should be delivered on a fixed date, determined by a systematic progress scheme indicating precisely the materials which would be needed from day to day. Setts, concrete materials, castings, rails, &c., wanted for the work were arranged for in similar fashion, and a schedule worked out, so that they might be delivered from the manufacturers direct on to the site on the day they would be needed and not into depôt or store.

Having thus made a detailed schedule and time-table for the work a plan was drawn up for the partial diversion of traffic at different points as the work proceeded. This was submitted for approval to the Ministry of Transport and the police and local authorities, and was agreed upon before a start was made on the general scheme. The police cooperated willingly in this matter, and, starting on August 7 last and favoured by fine weather, the scheme ran steadily and punctually its course and was finished in exactly eight weeks. For that period precisely the tramways services in Aldgate were cancelled, and, as a result of the careful organization, arrangement, and cooperation between public authorities, manufacturers, and police, there was never a hitch.

In some measure the saving of time was probably due to the fact that the men engaged in the work were regular tramway employees and used to track work. Even the strange tangle of metals which eventually became the new tramway junction at Gardiner's Corner offered no special or unforeseen problems. These men had full experience in dealing with the materials of the job, but the success may be traced to the care taken in the preparation for the work and its schedule.

DIRECT LABOUR FOR HOUSING

CARDIFF CITY COUNCIL'S VETO

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CARDIFF, JAN. 13

By 30 votes to 19 the Cardiff City Council to-day approved of the finance committee's recommendation vetoing the erection of 50 houses by direct labour.

Moving the deletion of the finance committee's recommendation, MR. A. J. WILLIAMS (Socialist) quoted cases where municipalities had saved as much as £200 per house by direct labour. Apart from the houses, he said, the Corporation owned property valued at £2,000,000, and the time had arrived to consider whether they should not have a works department to look after the maintenance of this property.

MR. R. E. PHILLIPS (Socialist) said 90 per cent. of the occupants of the council's houses built by private contract were living under undesirable conditions. Many of them could never be repaired so as to make them sanitary and fit for human habitation.

ALDERMAN C. F. SANDERS said that what weighed with him was that each of these houses proposed to be erected by direct labour would cost £56 more than by contract labour, making a total of £2,800.

MR. G. WILLIAMS said that the Corporation's experience of direct labour in house building had been unfortunate. The wastage on the 60 houses so built at Mynachty was a scandal.

ALDERMAN A. J. HOWELL said the houses built by private contract at Cardiff would compare with the best in the country.

THE OLD NEW YEAR

CELEBRATIONS IN THE HEBRIDES

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

January 12, New Year's Day old style, is still recognized in a few isolated districts in the West Highlands and the Hebrides. In some places both days are held as a holiday, but the tendency is to fall in line with the calendar and recognize only the first of the month.

In the island of Tiree, owned by the Duke of Argyll, the old style prevailed until a very few years ago, when the majority of the inhabitants reluctantly decided to follow the neighbouring islands of Great Britain and Ireland. Tiree, however, is "dry," inasmuch as there is no licensed house on the island for the sale of intoxicants. At this time of year the weather is generally very boisterous, and the island, being much exposed to the force of the gales, is very often left isolated for perhaps weeks at a time, the mail boat being unable to make a landing. The supplies of whisky, which are an indispensable item in the New Year celebrations, are often late in arriving, and it often happens that, in spite of the date fixed, the holding of the actual festival is dependent on the arrival of the steamer with the "goods."

It has been suggested, and the suggestion has often been acted on, that to make sure a good supply should be laid in several weeks beforehand. This plan, however, has proved quite ineffective, as "the whisky won't keep."

MASONIC GIRLS' SCHOOL

Mr. A. Burnett Brown, Past Grand Deacon, Grand Superintendent of Works, presided at a Court of the Governors and Subscribers of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls at Freemasons' Hall. It was unanimously agreed that the building of the school houses for the new senior school at Rickmansworth Park be proceeded with on the estimate of Walter Lawrence and Son, Limited, of £128,432 and that their tender be accepted. MR. BURNETT BROWN pointed out that this estimate was for the school houses only and did not include the main block, class rooms, dining-room, or staff quarters. It was also unanimously agreed that the 43 candidates, whose petitions had been approved, be elected without ballot, besides 47 other girls nominated for out-education. It was stated that the annual expenses of the institution now amounted to £36,000.

SALARIES OF L.C.C. STAFF

IMPROVED SCALE

(FROM OUR CIVIL SERVICE CORRESPONDENT)

After negotiations which have extended over several years, and at one time resulted in complete deadlock, agreement has been reached between the London County Council and the Staff Association on the scales of salaries and wages of certain of the Council's staffs.

Hitherto the Council has followed Civil Service practice in remunerating its staffs, salaries consisting of a basic (pre-War) portion to which bonus on the Civil Service scale was added. In meeting to some extent the claims of the Staff Association for improved salaries, the opportunity has been taken to consolidate the existing bonus with basic salary, and it will be seen from the following comparison that the maxima of the new consolidated scales are approximately £50 higher than the old scales, inclusive of bonus:—

	Old Scale (including bonus)	New Scale
General Grade		
Men (weekly)	34s.-118s. 9d.	30s.-130s.
Women (weekly)	28s. 10d.-101s. 10d.	25s.-108s.
Major Establishment		
Second class	£193-349	£160-400
First class	£361-485	£400-540
Senior Assistant	£498-610	£540-660
Principal Assistant (lower)	£622-728	£660-780
Principal Assistant (upper)	£622-849	£780-900

Officers will enter the new scales at the nearest point above their existing total remuneration.

The new scales are attracting attention in the Civil Service, chiefly because of the abandonment by the Council of the fluctuating bonus system. As, however, they include an element of increased remuneration, they give no guidance to a possible basis for consolidation of bonus with salary in the case of Civil servants if, as is anticipated, the Royal Commission recommends such a course.

BRITISH EMPIRE FARMERS

TOUR OF NEW ZEALAND

Information has been received by the British National Union, which has organized the Empire farmers' tour of New Zealand, that 18 members of the South African party have already left Cape Town by the steamship Runic, and will meet the British and Canadian parties at Auckland on February 20.

The British party, as already stated in *The Times*, will sail by the steamship Remuera from Southampton on January 17. Many friends, it is expected, will meet them at Waterloo Station to give them a good send-off at 10 a.m. Although one or two members of the British contingent, which represents every phase of farming, have found it necessary at the last moment to withdraw from the tour, their places have been readily filled from the list of the applicants who could not be included in the party owing to limited shipping accommodation.

The Canadian party, of whom Mr. S. R. Whitley has succeeded Lord Bledisloe as leader, leaves Vancouver on February 5, and is due in Auckland a day before the British party. Lord Bledisloe, who is Governor-General-designate of New Zealand, has written to Mr. A. Canham, manager of the tour, stating that he hopes to arrive in New Zealand before the tourists leave, and in that event it may be possible for him to meet them at Government House.

TRADE WITHIN THE EMPIRE

NEED OF POLICY FOR IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

Sir Gilbert Vyle, chairman of the British Preparatory Committee for the next Imperial Conference, has addressed a letter to the presidents of industrial, commercial, financial, shipping, and agricultural organizations throughout the British Empire. The letter explains what is being done in Great Britain to enable the representatives of commerce, industry, shipping, and finance to collate their views on the development of trade within the Empire.

At each Imperial Conference in the past, Sir Gilbert Vyle adds, the British Government has invited the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, the Federation of British Industries, and the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, to consult with them on trade questions. Those organizations felt that it would be well if, this time, they consulted together before going separately to advise the Government. With that end in view the three organizations had formed a British Preparatory Committee in order to secure and define the opinions of industry, commerce, shipping, and other interests in this country, and, if possible, to agree on a policy to recommend to our own Government and the Imperial Conference. The British Preparatory Committee was formed of three representatives of each of the organizations named and their officials. In addition, the organizations had formed their own separate committees to guide their representatives on the British Preparatory Committee. The letter continues:—

"As you will no doubt be consulted by your Government on the same problems, and may be making a similar attempt to ascertain and collate commercial opinion, my colleagues think it would be well for you to be informed as to the procedure which is being adopted in this country. If trade, commerce, shipping, and finance in each part of the Empire were to define and state its policy on Empire development for presentation to the next Imperial Conference, and if these views could be brought together prior to the Imperial Conference, we should have taken the first step towards a policy representing the views of all industrial, commercial, shipping, banking, and agricultural interests within the Empire. Our Preparatory Committee, while they hold various views about what can or should be done, agree in thinking that Empire trade is the most important topic for the Conference, and that to bring together the various Dominions and parts of the Empire into closer commercial relations the one with the other is a goal we should all seek to reach."

FORESTS AND PLANTS IN THE SUDAN

PRESENT DIFFICULTIES OF FIELD RESEARCH

DR. T. F. CHIPP, Assistant Director of Kew Gardens, read a paper yesterday evening before the Royal Geographical Society on "Forests and Plants of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan." He showed that every type of the vegetation of northern tropical Africa was represented in that country, and that, as with nearly all the possessions of the Great Powers in the northern part of the continent, the Sudan cut right across the natural belts of vegetation. In both west and north-east Africa, therefore, each country was provided with similar problems and similar economic conditions. In other words, each country across northern tropical Africa from the Atlantic to the Red Sea was working out within its own political confines problems which were common to all.

In this respect, he said, the British were at a greater disadvantage than the French, for whereas the French territory was continuous, the British territories were definitely separated by areas under foreign jurisdiction. Thus in each British country work was being done on millets, gum, oil palm, vegetable fats, cotton, ground nuts, and other common agricultural and forestry problems. It would appear that a time must soon come when field research problems, separated from local administrative and political questions, would have to be prosecuted right across the continent wherever the crop was to be found and regardless of political boundaries. No one country could afford to maintain a staff of specialists sufficient to deal with all the food crops and crops of commercial importance which occurred within its boundaries, and the inevitable tendency was for a few individuals in each country to attempt research into vastly different problems. Admittedly this might be a necessary convenience at present, but it was evident that the Governments and peoples of northern tropical Africa could get full value from their investigators only when the specialist was confined to one task rather than one arbitrarily delineated country.

Albert Dykes, a Nottingham Poor Law attendant, whose bicycle was blown out of its course in the gale, was knocked down by a Corporation omnibus, and died in Nottingham Hospital.

WORK AT PAPWORTH SETTLEMENT

MR. LANSBURY'S VISIT

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

PAPWORTH, JAN. 13

Mr. Lansbury, First Commissioner of Works and the fourth member of the present Government to visit Papworth, spent this afternoon among the patients and workers in this remarkable settlement for consumptives, 12 miles from Cambridge. He met among the colonists some old friends from the early days of the Labour movement who have been made self-supporting here. He was slyly reminded, in the furniture workshop, that the settlement never gets an Office of Works contract, and he answered apologetically and with a Ministerial explanation. From scores of the workers, also, he learned what Papworth is doing in individual cases.

By no means, of course, can the treatment of tuberculosis be made spectacular. These workshops to-day are little different from any other workshops, nor do the workers bear the mark of their misfortunes as they do in an ex-Service men's factory. Their history is what turns this work from an ordinary industrial affair into something like a miracle. One man in the printing works related this afternoon how starvation and exposure in German War camps left him with consumption which kept him in bed for three years here. Since then, by careful treatment and the gradual increase of his daily task, he has won back to a six-hour day of steady work.

The manager of the upholstery shop explained to Mr. Lansbury that he had been a patient for three years and then organized the department he now managed, teaching 35 other men and half-a-dozen girl patients the secrets and making the shop the centre of a prosperous industry. Another noteworthy case in the chair-making shop was already familiar to Mr. Lansbury, since the patient was an old comrade and was originally sent here by the Poplar Guardians. His recovery, physical and economic, is saving the ratepayers £4 a week, and the man and his family are happily settled in this community.

This restoration of men and women who felt not only condemned but outcast had its examples in all the shops. Naturally, if the shops are to restore shaken moral they must be real workshops, producing for the regular market. That was the superficial impression left by this afternoon's visit. The settlement does not seek charity custom. The leather shop, where suitcases, trunks, and all travelling equipment are made, has work in hand for the big shops in England, Scotland, the United States, and Holland. It is not only supplying high-quality goods in general demand but introducing new ideas to the markets. Ingenious travelling cases to carry shoes and shoe-cleaning materials, and a suitcase which opens to form a small wardrobe, are among the proofs of this enterprise.

TIMBER FROM WESTMINSTER HALL

The furniture department yesterday was finishing off easy chairs ordered by a London hospital. It made some time ago an advantageous purchase from the Office of Works of a quantity of the old timber from the roof of Westminster Hall, and is busy turning this ancient oak into small tables of antique design and book-stands, which are in great demand. This department has grown so rapidly that it must have new quarters, and they are being built by the settlement's own builders.

All the dozen workshops here have got to pay for themselves, and the workers know it. There is a spirit of competition among the departments which Dr. P. C. Varrier-Jones, the director, does not discourage, and the ex-patients, comfortably settled in airy dwellings and offered all the facilities of a happy life in this well-equipped village, gain greatly from the stimulus of real work. The industrial side is the remarkable feature of this settlement, and it receives no assistance from public funds.

Behind it, pouring into it a greater volume of convalescents than it can absorb, is the hospital and sanatorium. In this section at present there are 300 patients. Mr. Lansbury talked with several of them, either in hostels or in the little, open-air chalets, made of wood and canvas, but securely bolted to concrete foundations so that the winter gales have not disturbed them. These patients are paid for by local authorities or county councils until they begin to earn a living again in the workshops. All that is done for them then, and all that is saved to the community by doing it, is entirely unsubsidized. The visitor is told that the hospital and sanatorium work could be increased tenfold if funds for the original capital outlay could be found. The new hostel for women, opened by the Duchess of York in July, was filled with patients within two months, and more accommodation is now needed for women. There is scope for equal development of the workshops, and this, too, can only proceed as the money is forthcoming.

Mr. Lansbury was much impressed with the results which the settlement can show for its 12 years of work. It has attracted attention from many parts of the world, and has received many tributes, as "the most important international demonstration of anti-tuberculosis work." It will certainly grow and add to its industries, for there is ample room, and it rarely misses the chance of using the skill and knowledge of an ex-patient. But there are geographical objections to making it a national centre, and more probably it will serve as a model for such methods of treatment in other countries.

HISTORICAL MONUMENTS IN SCOTLAND

THE ROYAL PALACE OF LINLITHGOW

Monuments and constructions in the counties of Mid Lothian and West Lothian are the subject of the 10th report of the Royal Commission appointed to make an inventory of ancient and historical monuments in Scotland and to specify those which seem most worthy of preservation. The City of Edinburgh and Leith and its immediate environs are not included in the report.

The Commissioners say that the area where not purely agricultural has been much affected by industrial operations. The most important monuments include Romanesque or Norman church work, collegiate churches of the 15th century, medieval castles, the Royal Palace of Linlithgow, and buildings which help to illustrate the later developments of the dwelling-house of the Scottish laird.

Appended to the report are lists of monuments and constructions which appear to be specially in need of protection, and of others considered worthy of preservation but not in imminent risk of demolition or decay. Castellated and domestic structures placed in the former list include Colinton Castle, Craiglockhart Castle, Cramond Tower, Cairns Castle, Woolmet House (Newton), and Brunston Castle (Penicuik). The report is published by His Majesty's Stationery Office at the price of 2d.

LORD MAYOR AT FRENCH CHURCH IN LONDON

For the first time in its history, the French Protestant Church of London, Soho-square, was attended on Sunday in State by the Lord Mayor. The occasion was the thanksgiving service in memory of the Huguenot refugees in London. Sir William Waterlow, who is of Huguenot ancestry, was attended by Sheriffs F. H. Bowater and William Neale. M. de Fleuriau, the French Ambassador, M. C. Billecocq, the French Consul-General, Sir R. Murray Hyslop, Commander de la Légion d'Honneur, treasurer of the Congregational Union, and representatives of the French Church, Canterbury, and the Dutch Church in Austin Friars were also present. The service, wholly in French, was conducted by the Pastor (the Rev. Frank H. Christol) and the Rev. Georges Laugas, member of the French Protestant Churches Council, was the preacher. The Rev. F. H. Christol presented to Sir William Waterlow a framed photograph of the Charter of the Church of the Refugees granted by King Edward VI. on July 24, 1505.

A PERPETUAL CALENDAR

The International "Fixed Calendar" League, 1, Regent-street, has issued a calendar for 1930, which shows, in addition to the monthly divisions at present in use, a proposed perpetual calendar for use from January 1, 1933, in which every month would consist of 28 days, or four complete weeks, and would begin on Sunday and end on Saturday. The one day beyond the 52 complete weeks in every year it is proposed should be called "Peace Sabbath," and follow December 28.

BLACKMAIL CHARGES

CASES AT LONDON, MARGATE, AND MAIDSTONE

WM. HENRY WILLIAMS, 32, a clerk, with no fixed home, formerly residing at The Link, Acock's Green, Birmingham, was charged on remand before Mr. H. C. A. Bingley, at the Marylebone Police Court yesterday with "feloniously uttering, knowing the contents thereof, a letter, or writing, demanding of Mr. 'S,' with menaces, and without reasonable or probable cause, a sum of money." The prosecutor, who was spoken of as "Mr. S.," said in evidence that the defendant entered his employment as a clerk some years ago. Last November 16 he failed to attend at his office, and on November 20 he received a registered letter in the prisoner's handwriting. That morning he consulted the police and next day he laid information upon which the warrant was granted.

On December 21 he answered a telephone call and asked, "Is that Williams?" The voice, which he recognized as the prisoner's, replied, "Yes, it is Williams. Have you received my letter?" The witness replied that he had, and Williams asked, "What are you going to do about it?" The witness answered, "What I am going to do I have already done. If you inquire of the police they will tell you." Williams said, "If that is the position the letters will go out to-night." The witness replied that that was a matter for Williams's own judgment, and rang off.

Mr. Freke Palmer (producing a letter).—Is there any truth whatever in the innuendoes contained in that letter?—No, none whatever.

Mr. S. T. T. James (for the defence).—I put it to you that he was in very extreme financial difficulties?

Mr. S. replied that he was not inconsiderate of his employees and the accused was paid such a salary that if he was in such straits he ought not to have been.

The MAGISTRATE, on remanding the accused man, allowed bail in two sureties of £100.

HUMPHREY GEORGE OSBORN, 21, of Sussex-avenue, Margate, a fishmonger, was committed for trial to the Kent Assizes, at Margate yesterday, on a charge of demanding money by menaces from Victor Isted, a coach and groundsman at a private school at Westgate-on-Sea.

Isted said that he was in receipt of an 80 per cent. War disability pension. He met Osborn and his wife at whist drives and they became friendly. Osborn told him that he expected some money from his father's estate. He advanced Osborn sums of money from time to time, amounting to £64 or £65. Osborn signed an authority for repayment out of the money which he said would be due to him from his father's estate. After £30 had been repaid the authority was revoked. He (Isted) also gave Osborn quantities of grocery, coal, and meat to keep him going. This winter he (Isted) and two other men ran whist drives for profit at Margate, but Osborn had nothing to do with it. In November Osborn had threatened to expose him to his employers and the Ministry of Pensions, and he agreed to give him as much as he could afford, and paid Osborn £1 per week until January 1, and 10s. the following week. He then received a letter from Osborn in which he repeated the threat that unless a letter or remittance was received at once he would tell the Ministry of Pensions that he (Isted) was getting three different lots of money per week.

The elderly man whose name was suppressed in a case at Maidstone on Saturday, when Frank Smith was remanded on a charge of demanding money with menaces, was reported yesterday to be out of danger. He was found suffering from gas poisoning. Another man has now been detained in connexion with the charge.

THE BONAR LAW COLLEGE

The Conservative Central Office announces that it has been decided that in future the fees for courses at the Bonar Law College at Ashridge shall be as follows:—One week's course, £3 10s.; fortnight's course, £7; week-end courses (per day), 10s. The fees include board and residence, tuition, and recreation. Arrangements are now being made for the various courses, &c., to be held this year, particulars of which will be furnished on application to the Principal, Bonar Law College, Ashridge House, Berkhamsted, Herts.

The Ministry of Agriculture issue a second edition of the pamphlet "Rotation of Crops," by Professor R. G. White (Miscellaneous Publications, No. 45, price 4d. post free).

BY-ELECTION IN CENTRAL NOTTINGHAM

SIR A. BENNETT'S RETIREMENT NOT IMMINENT

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NOTTINGHAM, JAN. 13

Contrary to rumour, the Conservative Party is not preparing for an early by-election in the Central division of Nottingham.

Sir Albert Bennett, the sitting member, has announced that he will not seek re-election and that, owing to pressure of business, he desires to be relieved of his Parliamentary duties as soon as possible. He is, however, leaving himself in the hands of the Conservative Central Office, which, in conjunction with the divisional association, will determine when the seat shall be rendered vacant. This will depend more on the general political situation than on local considerations, since no doubt is entertained as to the ability of the Conservative Party to hold the seat.

The action of the Divisional Conservative Association last week in approving the selection of Mr. T. J. O'Connor, K.C., the former member for the Luton division, as Sir Albert Bennett's successor has, however, apparently given the other parties the impression that a by-election is imminent, and during the last two or three days there have been hurried consultations with a view to the selection of suitable candidates. The contest, when it takes place, will certainly be a triangular one. Alderman E. Huntsman, an ex-Lord Mayor and the chairman of the Liberal Association, states definitely that there will be a Liberal candidate. The Liberal and the Labour Parties state officially that they will select candidates within a few days.

At the last General Election Mr. (now Sir) Albert Bennett's majority over the Labour candidate, Mrs. E. Barton, was 2,998. The Liberal candidate, Mr. Arthur Brampton, polled only 8,738 votes. In 1924 Sir Albert had a majority of 8,255, his poll exceeding the combined vote of his two opponents by nearly 4,000. The Conservative organization is the strongest and the Liberal the weakest of the three. Central Nottingham comprises the shopping area in the centre of the city, including the Market-place, and a large residential area, Forest Ward, which, as its name implies, abuts on the Forest. The political sympathies of the division are reflected in the composition of the City Council, 10 of the 15 representatives from the Central division being Conservatives. Of the remaining five two are Liberals, and these hold their seats mainly on Conservative sufferance.

Mr. O'Connor opens his candidature with four ward meetings on Wednesday night, but these have been arranged merely to enable him to meet the rank and file of the workers. The departure of Alderman Sir Bernard Wright, the chairman of the Central Division Conservative Association and leader of the Conservative Party in the City Council, for a three-weeks' holiday in Switzerland may be taken as an indication that a by-election is not imminent, nor do the party organizers expect one until after the introduction of the Budget. When it does come the question of the safeguarding duties, in which the lace and hosiery trades are specially interested, will play a prominent part.

POLICE TELEPHONE BOXES

EXTENDING THE RING ROUND LONDON

Progress is being made with the scheme to provide a ring of police telephone boxes round London, and on Monday the first box in North London will be opened at Wood Green. It is understood that Scotland Yard is more than satisfied with the results of the boxes in the Richmond district.

Successful raids by motor bandits have materially diminished since the boxes were opened, and special officers familiar with the methods of thieves using motor-cars are now concentrating on men suspected of this kind of crime. Some of the gangs are finding London very difficult to "work" in these days, and have gone to provincial towns. But here again the police are on the alert, for Scotland Yard has supplied them with details regarding six men and two women decoys who assist them in raids.

News in Brief

Sir Charles Wakefield has sent a cheque for 25 guineas towards the funds of the Sheriffs' Fund Society.

John McLoughlin was killed and nine other workmen had narrow escapes at South Dock, Sunderland, yesterday, when a staging on which they were working gave way.

An old man named Frederick William Jordan, who is almost blind, was entering a telephone-box at Chadwell Heath yesterday when two men snatched an attaché case from him and ran away. The case contained £3.

While oiling points near Luton on the London and North Eastern Railway yesterday a platelayer named Frederick George Bozier, aged 42, of Wheathampstead, was knocked down by a passenger train from Dunstable to Luton and killed.

A new tea-room will shortly be opened on the L.N.E.R. main-line station at King's Cross to seat over 100 persons. There will be two entrances with revolving doors, one from the station approach and one from No. 10 departure platform inside the station.

After travelling over 3,000 miles in 11 months, a bottle has been picked up at Winchelsea Beach, near Rye, and a message found inside showed that it had been thrown into the sea off the coast of Norfolk, Virginia, for experimental purposes.

Shrewsbury Town Council adopted a scheme yesterday, estimated to cost £120,000, for a new road through the borough forming a link between the main Holyhead-London road, and also providing a new parking ground in the centre of the town. The new road will be 50ft. wide.

A man threw a brick wrapped in paper with such force through the plate-glass window of a jeweller's shop in Highstreet, Barnet, yesterday, that rings, bracelets, and other articles of jewelry were bent out of shape. He was caught after a chase and taken to the police station.

During excavations in a garden on the Hog's Back, Guildford, the remains of 60 skeletons have been unearthed. Beside one of them a glass-beaker, perfectly preserved, and a spear were found. Lieutenant-Colonel O. H. North, who is conducting the excavations on behalf of the Surrey Archæological Society, says that the site is that of a Saxon cemetery.

Frederick Dowding, 55, described as a film artist, was found *Guilty* at London Sessions yesterday of stealing a gold pencil from the Goldsmiths' and Silversmiths' Company, Limited, Regent-street, W., and was sentenced to 21 months' imprisonment, with hard labour. Dowding was found *Not Guilty* of stealing four other pencils from the same shop.

To-morrow the Hackney Borough Council will consider a recommendation to extend the Town Hall. The proposal includes the acquisition of property at the rear of the Town Hall in Hackney-grove, the closing of that thoroughfare, and the substitution of a new street in a more westerly direction. Two schemes have been submitted, one costing £150,000 and the other £100,000.

James Wilson, 52, was found *Guilty* at Wigan yesterday of stealing eight packets of cigarettes, value 4s., and sent to gaol for one month. The Chief Constable said Wilson had spent 35 years in gaol, and he had been court-martialled twice for desertion from the Army and had been sentenced to death, but the death penalty had been commuted to 10 years' penal servitude.

NEWS IN ADVERTISEMENTS

The following items are taken from the advertisement columns in this issue of *The Times*, where details will be found:—

The St. Pancras House Improvement Society announces that on January 23 Lord Monk Bretton (chairman of the London County Council) will dynamite the first brick from the Sidney-street area, where the society hopes to rebuild 2½ acres of hovels and turn them into a "miniature garden city." (p. 1)

The trustees for Sir James Caird's Travelling Scholarships will award senior and junior scholarships for the ensuing year in "Engineering," "Electricity," "Aeronautics," and "Music." (p. 5)

A bursar is wanted for a large international club. (p. 3)

The Director-General, India Store Department, invites tenders for 16 locomotives, for 2ft. 6in. gauge, 18,000 steel boiler tubes for locomotives, and other stores. (p. 24)

Old British warship models are required. (p. 1)

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HOW DESIRABLE IS ENGLAND!

By CALLISTHENES.

Some student of England has discovered and announced that about £20,000,000 is being spent on our towns near the sea so that they may give more pleasure to holiday-makers. It was a friendly act, for such news travels far, and everywhere it goes it will do England good.

It is important that English folk should be happy when they go for holiday weeks from the city to the sea, and £20,000,000 spent in new roads, new promenades, new sports and pleasure grounds will add to the happiness of many thousands. But it is at least as important that visitors from abroad should be happy in England and should know that much money is being spent to bring that about.

We had almost said more important. For Englishmen will make more money by entertaining visitors from abroad than by entertaining each other. If an hotel in Brighton entertains ten men from Birmingham the expenditure might be entered in the national account books under luxury, but if it entertains ten from Barcelona it would be entered under industry. The Scilly Islanders never could have maintained themselves by taking in each other's washing. It had to be washing from outside.

So with English holiday towns. It is important for their own welfare that they attract Englishmen; it is important for their own and the nation's welfare that they should attract foreign visitors. Every place in England that makes itself more desirable to people abroad is doing a national service, and any organization such as the Travel Association of Great Britain which prompts, co-ordinates, and advertises these efforts is a great factor in the national prosperity.

England is desirable to men from all ends of the earth. It has its own sweet beauties of hill and wood and field. No country in the world has more of the charm that lies in ancient and stately homes. Every county has some glory of association. The greatest succession of lyrical poets in the history of the world has given it glamour. A splendid history has given significance to its cities and villages. Those who make these beauties more widely known, those who make them more accessible, may be doing a service to the country but they are also doing a service to the world.

But there is an immense amount that can be done by wise legislation, wise administration, wise expenditure to make England more desirable, to give it among the nations a reputation for comfort, for gaiety, for hospitality. It is good to hear that at least some of our towns are busy on it.

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Entertainments

COURT THEATRE

"THE DOCTOR'S DILEMMA"

By BERNARD SHAW

Redpenny	GEORGE E. BANCROFT
Emmy	LEAH BATEMAN
Sir Colenso Ridgeon	VERNON SYLVAINE
Dr. Schutzmacher	GEORGE DE LARA
Sir Patrick Cullen	WILFRID LAWSON
Cutler Walpole	TORIN THATCHER
Sir Ralph Bloomfield Bonnington	D. A. CLARKE-SMITH
Dr. Blenkinsop	THOMAS PAUNCEFORT
Mrs. Dubedat	MARGARET MACDONA
Louis Dubedat	S. ESMÉ PERCY
Minnie Tinwell	MARJOT DRAKE
Newspaper Man	GEORGE E. BANCROFT
Secretary	GEORGE LARCHET

The play has been so often performed and discussed that little now remains for discussion but the quality of each new performance. It is too late in the Shavian day to point out that as long as the doctors are occupied in criticism of themselves all is, in the Shavian manner, well, but that when an artist and a woman stumble upon emotion—for which Mr. Shaw, at the time of his writing this play, had not yet discovered a formula of avoidance—the piece halts and, in spite of some brilliant spurts, never proceeds as smoothly again. This is ancient history, and we are left free to observe how far particular actors succeed in adorning the virtues and concealing the vices of Mr. Shaw's immaturity.

The Macdona players are extremely uneven. Miss Margaret Macdona brings a pleasant sincerity to Mrs. Dubedat, but the Shavian heroines are rare in whom sincerity and pleasantness suffice, and this Mrs. Dubedat is a trifle dull. Mr. Esmé Percy, on the contrary, though he can be exceedingly irritating, is never dull and, since irritation is in the part of Dubedat, Mr. Percy has it both ways; he gives the right glitter to the scene in which he trails his coat before the doctors, and he brings to the Shavian deathbed the one quality that can make it tolerable—namely, a dying swagger. The doctors themselves have the best of the play, and, though Mr. Vernon Sylvaine never overcomes the handicap that is the fate of Shavian lovers, they acquit themselves creditably, particularly Mr. Wilfrid Lawson, who carries the age of Sir Paddy in his voice and shoulders and hands, and Mr. Clarke-Smith, who, surviving an opening that is extravagantly swift and is made to seem a gabble by the general slowness of the stage, recovers after Act I. and proceeds to a very entertaining and satisfying caricature of poor B.B. The performance as a whole is a little slack, and its tension fails more than once, but it has moments—for example, the humility of Dr. Blenkinsop, which is very well represented by Mr. Pauncefort—which are compensation for many weaknesses of detail.

VARIETY THEATRES

THE COLISEUM

In their turn at the Coliseum this week the Houston Sisters, after first demonstrating the difference of meaning an ancestral hall can have to an Eton boy and a farmer's daughter, agreeably mixed an authentic Scots accent with a most unauthentic Spanish dance. The Houston Sisters have a method of rep—which is peculiarly their own. It involves the conductor, who, for the purpose, is called George, it occasionally involves the audience, but, for the most part, it is a serious argument between two people who both appear to believe they have genuine cases and genuine grievances. Before the Houston Sisters, who deserved all the praise they got, appeared, Mlle. Diane Loyal had demonstrated that at least 48 of her 50 pigeons understood the principles of loyalty and obedience, and Eric and Renee Le Fre had shown how tumbles and dancing catastrophies can be included in a turn called "An odd spot of fun."

Mr. Fred Duprez was voluble enough to cover up the laughter that followed one story with the beginning of another, and if Miss Marika Rokk followed a somewhat stereotyped fashion of dancing, she at least followed it with fidelity and grace. The Twenty-four Mangan Tillerettes, whose dances were arranged by Miss Ethel Helliwell, were excellent in their first dance, which was a matter of technical efficiency, and the fact that they were less good in the second was entirely due to the lighting and production. Miss Flora le Breton put up a gallant fight with a monstrous "talkie" figure which she would have been much better without, and, if there are still any people who delight in performing animals, they have Kautsky's bears to delight them.

VICTORIA PALACE

Instead of the usual variety programme, a distorted, but sufficiently effective, version of the Cochran *revue, One Dam Thing After Another* was presented at the Victoria Palace last night. After, in a most corrupt constituency, "Miss Revue" had come out on top of the poll for the most popular form of public entertainment—"Miss Shakespeare," "Miss Musical Comedy," and "Miss Modern Comedy" were all grossly misrepresented—Miss Adrienne Peel, who, together with Mr. Lawrie Howe and Mr. Dennis Brockbank, most often appeared, proceeded, after Miss Trixie Andree and Mr. Jack Curtis had done a "specialty" dance, to sing, with Mr. Brockbank, "My Heart Stood Still" in a way that was rather more sentimental than the very excellent words and tune deserved.

Later, however, Miss Peel, at the piano, played the song with a flourish and virtuosity that made up for all the impish inconsequence of Miss Edythe Baker, and she and Mr. Brockbank were both given chances before the end to show that they could act as well as sing. The Misses Revnell and West in their turn—the music-hall word must come in here—"the long and the short of it," relied rather too much on the imagination of the audience; and the Macari Brothers, ably as they played their obscure instruments, played them rather too long. The Lawrence Tiller Girls went through their dance with the military precision that is to be expected from them, and altogether the patrons of the Victoria Palace probably did not find the week's change from variety to *revue* so very revolutionary.

FREEDOM OF BELFAST FOR SIR JOHN LAVERY

The General Purposes Committee of the Belfast Corporation yesterday decided to recommend the Council to confer the Freedom of the city on Sir John Lavery. The LORD MAYOR, in moving the recommendation, said the eminence of Sir John Lavery in the world of art was only equalled by his munificence to his native city of Belfast. Sir John Lavery was born in 1856 and educated in the city, whose University recently conferred on him the honorary degree of LL.D. He has from time to time presented some of his pictures to the city. His most recent gift was a presentation to the new Art Gallery of a collection of paintings, valued at £30,000, which are now housed in a "Lavery room."

ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY CERTIFICATES

At West Ham Police Court yesterday the MAGISTRATE (Mr. St. John Morrow) presented the certificate of the Royal Humane Society to Frederick Goodyear, age 12½, of Rosher-road, Stratford, and to Albert Bigg, 21, of Gibbins-road, Stratford. A child fell into the Channelsea River (then in full flood), and Goodyear, without taking any clothes off, jumped into the water and endeavoured to find the boy. He could not, and, getting exhausted, was assisted out. Bigg took off some of his clothes and plunged in, and after some little time found the child. He was alive, but did not survive.

GIFTS TO POLICE COURT POOR-BOXES

Further acknowledgment is made by the magistrates of Metropolitan Police Courts of gifts for the poor-boxes of their respective courts as follows:—

BOW-STREET.—Mrs. Brass, £1 1s.; Mrs. Jane C. Simpson, £1; Mrs. Harford, £1; Parish of Chetnole, Dorset, £2 4s. 8d.

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WEST HAM.—Mr. A. J. Bird, £1.

EARLIER THEATRES

VIEWS OF MANAGERS AND PLAYGOERS

The wisdom of adopting earlier hours in the theatres was advocated by a correspondent in *The Times* yesterday. The suggestion aroused some interest in theatrical circles, and inquiry showed, as was to be expected, a clash of opinion between representative managers and playgoers on the point.

At the Theatrical Managers' Association, Shaftesbury-avenue, it was said that the present hours—8.15 and 8.30—were fixed after due consideration, and solely to meet the convenience of the great majority of playgoers, who are at business in town during the day and prefer to dine at home before going to the theatre. These are people who book seats in advance. The present hours enable them to get home, have a brush-up, dine, and reach the theatre by motor-car before the curtain rises. The Managers' Association have heard of people who would prefer even a later hour, say 9, to allow them to remain a little longer over dinner, whether at home or at a restaurant, but they have not heard of any demand for an earlier start of the play. In fact, 8.15 or 8.30 is said to suit those who have to line-up for the pit and gallery. The present hours do not permit these people to go home to dinner, but they give them time to have a meal at a restaurant and then take their places in the line sufficiently early to get a seat.

The most representative body of playgoers is the O.P. Club, now housed in the Hotel Cecil. They are interested in hours, as in all matters connected with the theatre. As the club's prime object is to foster the love of playgoing, they think that the hours should be such as suit the general community. They are emphatically of opinion that the present hours are too late for most people who live in the suburbs. The chief drawback of the theatre for these people is said to be the trouble they have in getting home when the play is over. It is contended that it would be more convenient to them if the hours were 8 for opening and 10.30 for closing. The answer of the Managers' Association on this point is that 11 o'clock, the hour at which plays generally close, is sufficiently early to enable playgoers who have not motor-cars to get home quickly by the excellent transport services provided by omnibus, tube, and tramcar. The growing popularity of the suburban theatre is ascribed at the O.P. Club to the avoidance of the discomfort in getting home.

Generally speaking, there is, on both sides, a recognition of the temptation to stay at home offered by the counter-attractions of modern life, such as bridge, the novel, and wireless. But it is agreed that people will continue to go to the theatre for amusement or entertainment—whether to see life or to get away from life, whether to see a play by a notable author or to see particular players in it—provided it is not made too inconvenient. From this point of view the proposal to have two performances in the theatre, as in the music-halls, is looked forward to with interest.

THE GUILD OF CHURCH MUSICIANS

DR. INGE ON THE OPENING OF ST. PAUL'S

Dr. Inge, Dean of St. Paul's, was the guest of honour at the 39th annual dinner of the Incorporated Guild of Church Musicians at the Holborn Restaurant last night. The WARDEN, Mr. Westlake Morgan, was in the chair.

The MAYOR of ISLINGTON proposed the toast "The Anglican Church and the Incorporated Guild." He said that the chief object of the guild was to elevate choral worship in the Church, which had an abiding influence on all who came under its spell.

The WARDEN and the SUB-WARDEN, Dr. J. J. Cornelius, replied. Speaking of the activities of the guild, the Warden described the organization as a sort of family association, which musicians within the Church, young and old, might join. It was an association for comradeship, fraternity, and beneficence, and was open to amateur as well as professional organists.

The REV. HUGH H. M. BEVAN proposed the health of the Dean of St. Paul's. DR. INGE, replying, said that the intricacies of Church music were quite beyond him. Sitting just behind the choir he did not venture to make a cheerful noise while the service was proceeding. He felt that he was being honoured that night in a sense as representing the greatest of all Church choirs. His memories of St. Paul's went back some 20 years, during which time he had experienced unfailing loyalty, friendship, and altogether delightful relations with three organists, as well as with the choir of the Cathedral.

He was sure all would be glad to know that June 25 had been fixed as the date when, after five years, the Cathedral would be opened from end to end. It was hoped to celebrate that event not only by a series of sermons for which the eloquence of the greater part of the Episcopal bench had been successfully enlisted, but by the presence of 250 Bishops from all parts of the world, who would open their conference at Lambeth by attending solemn service at St. Paul's; and by a series of musical services which he hoped would be worthy of its traditions.

THE CARILLON IN HYDE PARK

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

The following are the programmes for to-day of the music played on the New Zealand War Memorial Carillon in Hyde Park, issued by the *Daily Sketch*:—

12 noon to 12.20 p.m.—"Drink to me only with thine eyes," "Bonnie Mary of Argyle," "Melody in F," "In an Old Fashioned Town," "Come Lasses and Lads."

3.0 to 3.20 p.m.—"Dear little Shamrock," "Alice, where art Thou?" "Minuet" (Beethoven), "Gavotte" (De Fesch), "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep."

6.40 to 7.0 p.m.—"Moment Musical" (Schubert), "Londonderry Air," "Passing By" (Purcell), "Minuet and Trio" (Mozart), "Somewhere a voice is calling."

BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Brancker has consented to become first president of the British Gliding Association, which has been formed to develop the gliding movement in Great Britain, and will hold its first meeting on March 25. The temporary address of the association is the Royal Aeronautical Society, Albemarle-street, W. Mr. L. Howard-Flanders, the hon. secretary, stated yesterday that the purpose of the association was to affiliate clubs and promote branches in various parts of the country, to negotiate with the Air Ministry, the Royal Aeronautical Society, and the Royal Aero Club on the technical and sporting aspects of gliding, and to supply the clubs and branches with technical information, assistance in obtaining and building gliders, and choice of sites. Clubs were being affiliated and branches formed. It was hoped to provide facilities for schools, Scouts, and other organizations which had not sufficient technical knowledge to form their own gliding clubs.

SUNDAY CONCERTS IN EAST LONDON

At the People's Palace, Mile End-road, on Sunday afternoon the organ, built in 1888 by Messrs. Lewis and Co., of Brixton, and recently reconditioned by Messrs. Sturdee, Rutt, and Co., of Leyton, was formally opened by the Lord Mayor of London, who was accompanied by the Sheriffs. He was welcomed by the Master of the Drapers' Company, Dr. Giles, and his wife, with whom was Mr. James Dalton, chairman of the board of governors of the People's Palace. The LORD MAYOR said he appreciated that the Drapers' Company had been doing a great deal for the People's Palace ever since it was built, particularly in encouraging the performance of good music for the benefit of the people of East London. A recital given on the organ by Mr. C. Cunningham, organist of the City of Birmingham, was much enjoyed by the large audience assembled in the Queen's Hall. Two groups of songs were contributed by Miss Louise Marshall, the accompanist being Miss Annie Mukle.

THE PRIME MINISTER AT THE CIRCUS

The Prime Minister visited Captain Bertram W. Mills's circus at Olympia last evening. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, his daughter Sheila, Lord Thomson, and Mr. and Mrs. Wedgwood Benn occupied a box. Whimsical Walker, the oldest clown, entered the box and playfully dug the Prime Minister in the ribs with his "red hot" poker, and stayed joking with the party for some time.

FUTURE OF TALKING FILMS

WARNING BY EXHIBITORS' ASSOCIATION

A further report dealing with the position of silent films and the future development of talking films has been issued by the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association.

In referring to the production of silent films, as apart from silent versions of talking films, the report states that, with the single exception of Mr. Charles Chaplin's *City Lights*, not a single silent picture is being made in Hollywood. A considerable number of silent versions of talking films may, however, be expected; but, judging by those already shown privately in this country, the exhibition value of these will be comparatively small in relation to the talking version of the same film, and also in comparison with the quality of the silent pictures that have been shown in the past. The report further adds that, although the large producing companies are concentrating on talking films, some of the smaller companies may yet continue the production of silent films, but the association has no way of making any definite arrangement for the production of such films, as they are quite unable to give any guarantee to a producer as to the revenue he may expect to obtain.

Unless, therefore, the situation changes, those exhibitors whose cinemas are still unwired will have sooner or later to take steps to have their theatres equipped for talking pictures. When that becomes necessary, the report states, they would be well advised in dealing with renters to ascertain what has been their film cost on a percentage basis in the past, and to realize that every additional house that is wired reduces the novelty value of talking pictures in that area, and that when all the cinemas in an area have been adapted for talkies it is doubtful whether there will be any large increase in cinema patronage.

INSTALLATION AND RENTAL

Apparent evidence of the desire on the part of the producers in America to extend the talking film as far as possible is made clear in the report by the statement that American producers are looking for an extension of wired houses, and are contemplating a scheme whereby they will instal the necessary apparatus in the cinemas for this purpose. But details of how the apparatus will be paid for are not yet available. If the present abnormal prices that are being paid for sound films continue to be paid it is obvious, it is stated, that with the added cost of installation and the service charges in connexion therewith the exhibitor must make losses. The association, therefore, again emphasizes that film rental must bear a relation to the receipts, and that unless these rentals are within the capacity of the house to pay the exhibitor who contracts to pay more is signing his death warrant.

The association also recommends exhibitors, before they actually sign for their apparatus, to ascertain that they can obtain pictures at reasonable rentals, and further that guarantees should not be given. Exhibitors should also take careful note of the length of the films they are booking, so that the percentage paid is for the whole of the programme and not for one film which may not run for more than 50 minutes, leaving the rest of the programme to be paid for in addition.

It is further reported that the Manchester branch of the association has requested the formation of a committee to test exhaustively the merits of reasonably priced talkie apparatus, and to take steps to arrange specially convenient terms that will ensure the smallest cinemas in the country being able to provide their patrons with talking films, if necessary.

"THE LOCKED DOOR"

TALKING FILM AT THE MARBLE ARCH PAVILION

A UNITED ARTISTS' PRODUCTION

Mr. Channing Pollock's play *The Sign on the Door*, from which the film, exhibited this week at the Marble Arch Pavilion, is adapted, was an excellent choice for dramatization into a talking film. If we do not always believe in the behaviour of Ann Reagan, who mortgages her honour to the iniquitous Frank Devereaux and is forced to commit a murder before the affair is cleared up in her husband's eyes, we are not less gripped by the emotions of the plot and the skill with which Mr. George Fitzmaurice has interpreted them.

The picture opens with the dance on board ship at which Ann is compromised by Mr. Devereaux, a part played with rather too much charm, but with much effect, by Mr. Rod la Rocque. This is good, brisk "cinema," and in its American way entertains well. The subsequent scenes of intrigue, seduction, murder, and "third degree" by the police lose a little colour as compared with the play owing to our familiarity with them in so many talking films. But the emotional performance of Miss Barbara Stanwick as Ann and the humours of Mr. George Bunny as the valet do much to redress the balance, and the story does not lack action of a thrilling or agreeable kind. In this it gains upon the play, both by its exciting movement and photographic virtuosity. Yet in realism and credibility of character it loses, and there is difficulty in deciding whether this is Mr. Pollock's fault or that of the talking film medium itself. It is a pity, too, that Miss Zazu Pitts, as a telephone operator, should be deprived once again of her due honours as one of the cleverest American actresses in comedy. Her appearances are all too brief, and her moments of humour irritatingly misplaced. Nevertheless the picture is well constructed, and altogether a vivid and enjoyable piece of film melodrama.

M. THIBAUD'S RECITAL

Mozart's Concerto in D major occupied the central position in the programme of M. Thibaud's recital at the Palladium on Sunday afternoon. It was a good choice, for this violinist's playing has a sensitiveness which makes it an excellent vehicle for Mozart's music. The slow movement, in which the sentiment was only once in danger of becoming over-sweet, and the rhythmical *finale* were especially well played. It would have been a more satisfactory performance as a whole if the pianist, Mr. Tasso Janopoulo, had had the lid of his instrument at least partly opened. As it was, the tone was too much muffled, and the concerto was turned completely into a violin solo with accompaniment—an effect which is bound to be produced in some degree when a pianoforte is substituted for the orchestra. The programme also included Kreisler's transcription of Pugnani's Prelude and Allegro, where the violinist's tone sounded too thin in the double-stopped passages, and Lalo's "Fantaisie Norvégienne," which has not the vitality and melodic appeal of the "Symphonie Espagnole."

ALBERT HALL SUNDAY CONCERT

Mr. Stewart Deas, who conducted the London Symphony Orchestra at the Albert Hall on Sunday afternoon, is a Scotsman who learned his music from Professor Tovey in Edinburgh and the art of conducting from Weingartner in Switzerland. This is sound training indeed, and Mr. Deas has profited by it. He knows his music and he can obtain his desires from the orchestra without fuss or sensational methods. His manner was unostentatious, but his readings of the German classics had point and clarity. He began with Mendelssohn's "Hebrides" overture, then gave a well-judged and admirably clear performance of Brahms's St. Anthony Variations, and concluded with a pointed and lively reading of Beethoven's first symphony. Between the two big works Mendelssohn's violin concerto was played by Master Wolfi, whose bowing and tone are beautiful, but whose rhythm suffered in the scamper of the last movement and called for alertness from the conductor. It looks as though the classical tradition may find in Mr. Deas a young exponent at a time when the interests of most young musicians are elsewhere.

The *Poetry Review* announces that the Bartlett Premium of £50 for poems on "Power" has been divided between Edwin Markham, an American poet, who has been awarded £30; Edith M. Walker, Bournemouth (£10); Dorothy Rose, Pikesville, Maryland (£5); and G. W. Eustace, Arundel (£5).

The Broadcasting Programmes for to-day and Broadcasting Notes will be found on page 8

ART EXHIBITIONS

EDMOND CERIA

The paintings by Edmond Ceria, an artist of Italian origin and French training, now on view at the Leicester Galleries, win approval by their pleasing colour, careful workmanship, good taste and general effect of modesty in the artist rather than by distinction of design. Though Parisian training is evident there is a distinctly Italian flavour—a graciousness of style—which bespeaks a study of the past. Ceria arranges his facts well, but he seems to dwell upon them with too great a particularity for his system of designing. The consequence is that, in looking at his pictures, one is inclined to see one thing—a building, a tree, or a figure—at a time instead of taking in the composition as a whole, though the lines of the composition are properly organized. Thus, in the painting of "Nemours (II.)," the eye rests upon roof and roof in succession instead of passing over them in a sweep. In the brown and gold "Nu au Tapis Marocain," again, the "Nu" is a little overpowered by the "Tapis," and in "Nature Morte aux Perdreux" and "Canards et Huitres" one enumerates the delicacies like a possible purchaser. But all the objects are very beautifully painted. The most perfectly fused pictures are the small landscapes, such as "Le Pont du Carrousel, Paris," "Environs du Sanary," and "Le Pont des Arts"—small version.

ART AT THE HEALTH MINISTRY

The sixth exhibition of the Ministry of Health Art Club and "Hygeia" Camera Club—in the Conference Room on the second floor, Ministry of Health, Whitehall—shows an improvement all round. If memory can be trusted there are fewer works than usual, and certainly the exhibition as a whole has a more considered look.

As before, the most original contributions are by one of them—the tempera paintings of the Thames and Durham, by Dr. S. W. Wheaton. That they are ungainly and, so to speak, crude cannot be denied, but they have an imaginative directness which recalls El Greco. Excellent contributions come, too, from Dr. G. W. Monier-Williams, whose calligraphic sketch of "The Harbour Bar" is one of the freshest things in the show, and Dr. D. J. Williamson, whose "Thomas' Yard, Falmouth," is one of the best of the water-colours. With it may be named "Roadside Shed, Cornwall," by Mr. B. T. Kitchin, "French Marigolds," by Mr. J. R. Taylor, "The Farm," by Mr. H. T. Wells, "A Sussex Hamlet," by Miss E. M. Gardner, and the decorative designs by Miss I. E. Palmer.

In oil one has to choose between workmanlike qualities and artistic taste, and, giving preference to the latter, the "Portrait Study," of a girl's head, by Miss M. E. Grocock, and "A Kent Landscape," by Mr. R. P. Hearn, must be named, with a word of praise for "Chelsfield Church, evening," by Mr. L. M. T. Brangwyn. The exhibition is open daily from 12 to 2 and from 5 to 7 p.m. (Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m.) until January 18.

ITALIAN ART EXHIBITION

SIR ROBERT WITT ON A RECORD ATTENDANCE

Mr. Roger Fry delivered the second of his lectures on "The Italian Tradition in Art" (the first having been given last Tuesday) in the Queen's Hall, last night. The lectures were arranged by the National Art-Collections Fund.

SIR ROBERT WITT, the Chairman of the Fund, who was in the chair, said that the paying entrants to the Italian Art Exhibition during 10 days had been 69,000 odd, compared with 29,000 odd to the Flemish Exhibition, and 41,000 odd to the Dutch Exhibition. The record attendance at the Italian Exhibition had been last Saturday, when there were 9,100 entrants, and, if the numbers continued at the present level, the success of the exhibition was assured. He paid a tribute to the initiative which had been shown by Lady Chamberlain, chairman of the exhibition, and to the others who had helped in its organization.

In his lecture, Mr. Fry said that through familiarity the art of Raphael and Titian had come to be regarded as nothing very remarkable beyond the genius of the particular artists. But it was not at all a thing to be taken for granted. The art tradition of Raphael could not have existed and been developed except in Italy, and in other countries art had followed an entirely different course. It was not until the 17th century that the Italian tradition invaded the rest of Europe and swept European art into one general current. The lecturer then described the characteristics of Italian art, which he illustrated by lantern slides.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN moved a vote of thanks to the lecturer.

LECTURES AND MEETINGS

GRESHAM LECTURES: LENT TERM, 1930.
The Gresham Lecturer on Astronomy, Mr. ARTHUR R. HINKS, C.B.E., M.A., F.R.S., will deliver a course of Four Lectures on
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ENTERTAINMENTS

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Further particulars and tickets, prices 12s., 5s. 9d., and 3s., tax included, may be obtained from the office of the University College, London (on personal application), or by post (enclosing stamped addressed envelope), from O. V. Lawley, University College, London, Gower-street, W.C.1.

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Imperial and Foreign News

LEAGUE COUNCIL

GREAT BRITAIN AND PALESTINE

(FROM OUR LEAGUE CORRESPONDENT)

GENEVA, JAN. 13

The 58th session of the Council of the League of Nations opened here to-day under the presidency of M. Zaleski, Polish Foreign Minister. The elaborate precautions taken by the Federal police authorities to protect the Italian delegate, Signor Grandi, from danger at the hands of anti-Fascists were so effective that Signor Grandi had no hesitation in walking from his hotel to the Council Chamber. The gendarmerie arrested a young man from Zurich, who, armed with a toy pistol, declared his intention of firing it in the Council Chambes in order to draw attention to the "excessive price of radium." An Italian solicitor of anti-Fascist tendencies, ex-mayor of an Italian commune near Genoa, who was unable to explain the reason for his presence in Geneva, was put under observation and will shortly return to his domicile in Paris.

As this was the first meeting of the League Council since the death of Herr Stresemann, the President paid tribute to his memory at the beginning of the public session.

"The personality of Gustav Stresemann (he said) was characteristic of the psychological evolution of humanity after the War. Although throughout the whole of his long political career the great German patriot strove untiringly after his country's welfare, he nevertheless, owing to his breadth of comprehension and remarkable political insight, fully understood that the welfare of his own country should be based on mutual understanding and on the community of nations as a whole." His name would live in history and would always be connected with events which were destined to usher in an era of mutual confidence and lasting peace throughout the world. It was his (M. Zaleski's) firm belief that, in spite of differences of opinion that might have existed between them on particular questions, Herr Stresemann and himself had the same feeling that a good understanding between Poland and Germany was necessary for the peace of Europe, and the same desire to promote the work of the League in every branch of international life.

Dr. von Schubert, replying, expressed regret that the German Foreign Minister, Dr. Curtius, was unable to be present. M. Zaleski's tribute would be warmly welcomed by the German public.

The first intervention of the British Secretary for Foreign Affairs in to-day's proceedings came in connexion with the report on the ratification of international conventions concluded under the auspices of the League.

Mr. Henderson recalled the fact that the British Government had supported at all stages the proposal that definite steps should be taken to improve matters in the ratification of general conventions. Great Britain would only be satisfied when it had become the normal practice of Government that ratification should follow signature as a matter of course, except where there were the gravest reasons for delay or non-ratification. Although his country had a fairly good record in this matter there were some gaps that he hoped soon to remedy. He was submitting to the House of Commons the week after next a resolution in favour of the ratification of the Optional Clause, and ratification would follow, without delay, the approval of that resolution.

The composition of the Committee which it is proposed to create will be studied by the Council later in the week.

THE WAILING WALL

The evening session of the Council was devoted to matters arising from the reports of the Mandates Committee. Four points in which Great Britain was involved came before the meeting. These were the use of the word "sovereignty" by a Mandatory Power (which has arisen in connexion with the administration of South-West Africa); the proposed admission of Iraq to the League; the recent troubles in Western Samoa, and the situation arising from the Wailing Wall incidents in Palestine. In regard to the last question, Mr. Henderson had circulated a declaration among the members of the Council. The Council decided that it would take time to study the declaration, and it would, therefore, return to the subject later in the present session.

The declaration explained that Great Britain, being convinced of the urgency of obtaining a decision on the rights and claims in respect to the Wailing Wall, formulated a proposal, which was laid before the Permanent Mandates Commission last November, that a Commission should be appointed under the terms of Article 14 of the Mandate to study only the questions associated with the Wailing Wall. The Permanent Mandates Commission expressed the view, however, that the proposal was not in conformity with Article 14 of the Mandate, as it conferred upon the Commission powers which were vested exclusively in the Special Commission for the Holy Places contemplated by that Article.

While the British Government did not wish to call into question any of the arguments on which the Mandates Commission had based its conclusion, it was impressed by the fact that these objections were really of a technical character. In view of the great importance of an early and final settlement of the question, it now proposed, as an alternative, to give the setting up of the Commission contemplated by Article 14 the sole purpose of determining the rights and claims in respect of the Wailing Wall, and that, before its functions were extended to cover any question concerning other Holy Places in Palestine, the matter would be resubmitted to the Council and proposals laid before it as to the future composition of the Commission. Although the British Government did not find the provisions of Article 14 clear as to the method of nomination of the Commission, it would comply with whatever the Council decided to be the correct interpretation. Subject to this, it would submit to the Council its ideas on its composition; it would hope to be able even to submit actual nominations for the Council's approval if this idea were accepted.

As in the Mandates Commission report it was proposed to hold a special session in March to deal with this question, Mr. Henderson reminded the Council that, although his Government wished for nothing better than a full inquiry, it felt that a satisfactory conclusion could only be reached if that Commission was in full possession of the facts. As he could not guarantee that the Shaw report would be ready by March, he suggested the postponement of the proposed special sitting of the Mandates Commission until a later date.

SAMOA AND IRAQ

The position regarding the interpretation of the word "sovereignty" in relation to a Mandatory and mandated territory and the question whether the South African Union Nationality and Flags Act of 1927 is in all points consistent with the general principles of the Mandate have been left open once again for examination by the competent League organizations. On the matter of the recent disturbances in Western Samoa, the Council expressed the hope that the New Zealand Government would succeed in putting an end to the present situation of administrative instability and in re-establishing its full authority in the territory.

Approval was given to the Mandates Commission's proposal for a postponement of the consideration of Sir Samuel Wilson's report on certain aspects of the plan for a closer union between Tanganyika, Kenya, and Uganda.

During the discussion of the problems which might arise from determination of the Iraq Mandate and the admission of that State into the League, Mr. Henderson remarked that the Mandates Commission report might be misconstrued as suggesting that that Commission could lay down the conditions on which Iraq could be admitted to the League. He said he considered that that was a matter for the Assembly. The Commission also enumerated several points on which it contemplated that Iraq would have to give guarantees. He doubted whether it was for the Commission to specify those points, and certainly, in so far as one point mentioned was "economic equality," he would like to say then and there that Great Britain could not accept the view that any independent State on admission to the League should be required to give any guarantee on such a point. That was a matter for the Assembly.

In the private sitting which preceded the public meeting the Council accepted from the Woodrow Wilson Foundation of the United States a gift of $25,000 [£5,000] for a memorial within the new buildings to the founder of the League. The nature of that memorial will be decided later after a consultation between the Secretary-General, the architects, the Building Committee, and the donors.

ARAB DELEGATION TO LONDON

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

JERUSALEM, JAN. 12

The Arab newspapers report that there is grave dissatisfaction with the results of the last meeting of the Arab Executive, at which the delegation to London was nominated. Mousa Kazim Pasha has resigned the chairmanship of the Executive, and Moghanem, the Christian secretary of the Executive, failing to be elected to the delegation, resigned his secretaryship. Ragheb Nashashibi and Auni Abdulhadi Bey declined to serve on the delegation, while Yakub Faraji, the Christian vice-chairman of the Arab Executive and vice-mayor of Jerusalem resigned from the Arab Executive.

The *Falastin*, in reporting these developments, holds out the hope of an eventual agreement, and of the departure of the delegation at the end of January to London, where, it is proposed, it will spend five months.

JEWISH PETITION TO HIGH COMMISSIONER

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

JERUSALEM, JAN. 13

Rabbi Franco, Rabbi Slonim, Rabbi Dworitz, and three laymen have submitted a second petition to the British High Commissioner on behalf of Jewish refugees from Hebron, in which it is pointed out that as a result of the massacre the city of patriarchs has been abandoned by Jews for the first time in its history. The petitioners complain that murderers and inciters are not being arrested, and demand that the Government should reconstruct the Jewish quarter.

TAX REDUCTION IN SCANDINAVIA

SWEDISH AND NORWEGIAN BUDGETS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS)

STOCKHOLM, JAN. 11

King Gustav declared the Swedish Parliament open this morning. The speech from the Throne revealed Sweden's continued prosperity, which had already been foreshadowed in the Board of Trade final returns for 1929, published last week, showing that the year had been the best in the economic history of the country. The total trade turnover of 3,500,000,000 kronor (£196,875,000) represented an increase of 200,000,000 kronor (£11,250,000) over that of 1928.

In the circumstances taxes are to be reduced. The total reliefs will amount to 6,000,000 kronor. For the protection of farmers it is intended to raise the duties on certain kinds of grain, and big grants are also promised to help Swedish agriculture generally. Special assistance will be afforded to beet growers and to the butter industry. Other provisions apply to domestic economy, particularly in regard to the present spirit and tobacco monopolies, and certain alterations of the existing regulations are proposed.

The new Budget figures balance at 807,700,000 kronor, an increase of 30,000,000 kronor.

OSLO, JAN. 13

The King opened the final session of the present Storting to-day. The Budget for the 12 months beginning next July totals 374,700,000 kroner (£21,076,875), which is 13,700,000 kroner less than the previous Budget. A reduction in taxes amounting to 10,500,000 kroner (£590,625) is proposed—5,500,000 kroner in direct taxes and 5,000,000 kroner in the coffee and sugar duties. The reduction in the Budget estimates is due to improved trade conditions and to severe cuts in expenditure.

GENERAL SMUTS IN WASHINGTON

VISIT TO THE SENATE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

WASHINGTON, JAN. 13

General Smuts arrived in Washington this morning and was welcomed by the South African Minister, Mr. Eric Louw.

After lunch General Smuts paid a brief visit to the Senate, where Senator Robinson of Indiana moved a recess to enable the Senators to greet the distinguished visitor, who, the Senator said, was too well known all over the world to require any further introduction from him. General Smuts went on to the floor of the Senate Chamber and shook hands with the Senators present as they filed past him.

ST. LAWRENCE WATER POWER RIGHTS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

OTTAWA, JAN. 13

The conference between the Federal Government and the Governments of Ontario and Quebec, on the subject of respective rights to the water power of the St. Lawrence and other rivers, has been fixed for January 20. It is believed that one obstacle to its success has been removed by agreement between the engineers of the Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario and the technical experts of the Federal Government, who originally favoured different plans for power development on the St. Lawrence, but are now understood to have reached a compromise.

SOVIET TAXATION OF PRIVATE TRADE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

RIGA, JAN. 13

The Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R has published new regulations imposing a 4 per cent. *ad valorem* duty on all goods imported or exported by licensed persons or organizations, including the so-called "mixed companies" (although more than half of the capital of these concerns belongs to the Soviet State). State organizations, cooperatives, and companies without private capital remain exempt from the duty.

LAW ENFORCEMENT IN U.S.

COMMISSION'S REPORT

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

WASHINGTON, JAN. 13

The National Commission on Law Observance and Enforcement to-day presented to Congress its preliminary report.

Since May of last year the Commission has been conducting an exhaustive study into those phenomena of lawlessness in the United States which are admitted by all and which, in so far at any rate as they are the result of the prohibition laws, have for 10 years been the subject of agitated controversy in every class and section of the population. Just before Christmas a renewed attack, led by Senator Borah, on the alleged inefficacy of the existing methods of law enforcement, delighted the opponents of prohibition, dismayed those of its supporters who believe that, in spite of reverses, enforcement is making reasonably satisfactory headway, and created an atmosphere of excitement in which the report of a Commission with unprecedented opportunities of analysing failings and suggesting remedies has been eagerly awaited.

Simultaneously with the preliminary report of the Commission, which deals in the main with the state of affairs on the "home front end," where more than 80,000 arrests under the prohibition law were made last year, Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, has sent to the President recommendations for strengthening the defences against liquor importation along the international boundaries, "at every point of which," as the Commission's report expresses it, "infection is possible."

REMEDIES SUGGESTED

The preliminary report makes four specific suggestions for improving the efficiency of law enforcement. First it is proposed to remedy the confusion resulting from the division of the responsibility for enforcement between the Treasury Department and the Department of Justice by transferring to the latter the investigation and preparation of cases, thus concentrating in a single Department the whole task of enforcement through the Courts. Secondly, the Commission suggests the codification of more than 25 "disconnected and unwieldy statutes enacted at various times during 40 years, many of them much antedating the 18th amendment," which have to be resorted to in enforcement of prohibition. The absence of a code "is all to the advantage of the commercialized law-breaker, who commands excellent advice on points which at the crisis of action the enforcement officer may have to look up hurriedly for himself." The Commission, therefore, recommends that "all Federal legislation applicable to the enforcement of prohibition should be revised and digested with a view of making it . . . simpler and better ordered and hence more workable." The third section of the report is concerned with amendments to the law designed to check technical evasions by the owners of property that is habitually used in connexion with violations of the law.

The fourth and longest section deals with the relief of the congestion in the Federal Courts caused by the large volume of petty prosecutions under the Prohibition Act. Such relief, it is stated, is of vital importance in the whole scheme of accustoming the country to the observance of the prohibition law because the congestion of the Courts "has done much to create a feeling in some localities that the law cannot be enforced." The Commission, wishing "to deal with the matter adequately with the existing machinery of the Federal system," proposes the enactment of a statute which would make possible prosecution by a District Attorney for "casual or slight violations"—these to be defined by Congress—without an indictment before a Grand Jury. "It would be entirely feasible to make use of the existing system of United States Commissioners," the report declares.

These suggestions represent an attempt to retain "all the possibilities in the way of arrest and prevention which obtain" under the existing Jones Law, by which every violation of the Prohibition Act was made a potential felony, and at the same time make it possible actually to prosecute for petty offences with all the increased expeditiousness which that implies.

THE BORDER PATROL

Mr. Hoover, in a message to Congress accompanying the report, again draws attention to the present unsatisfactory condition of affairs when the "increasing enactment of Federal criminal laws over the past 20 years, as to which violation of the prohibition laws comprises rather more than one-half of the total arrests, has finally culminated in a burden to the Federal Courts of a character for which they are ill-designed, and in many cases entirely beyond their capacity."

Mr. Mellon's proposals are mainly directed to increasing the efficiency of the control along the Canadian and Mexican borders. He recommends that "entry into the United States of all persons should be prohibited except at points of entry designated by the President," that "the present number of points of entry be increased sufficiently to permit uninterrupted and unhampered intercourse with our neighbouring countries over the customary established routes," that a "unified border patrol be created to patrol the border and prevent illegal entry," and that "a unified border patrol should be part of the coastguard."

It is estimated that the tremendous work involved in the "physical examination of our entire border" before the points of entry can be designated, and the fact that the "work must be done in harmonious cooperation with our neighbouring countries," whose consent "must be obtained as a matter of courtesy," will delay the putting into operation of this plan, if it is approved, for at least six months.

Senator Robert Wagner (Democrat, N.Y.) to-day introduced in the Senate a resolution requesting the President to direct the Law Enforcement Commission to inquire into the suitability of the existing prohibition laws for promotion of temperance, and the advisability of amending such laws to the end that "more adequate enforcement may be obtained through greater voluntary observance."

FEARS OF REVOLUTION IN URUGUAY

TROOPS ORDERED TO RIVERA PROVINCE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, JAN. 13

The Uruguayan Government has ordered a regiment of cavalry to be sent from Tucuarembo to Rivera Province, near the Brazilian frontier, in consequence of the widespread distribution there of a manifesto proclaiming revolution. The National Administrative Council has ordered the withdrawal of funds from the tax collectors' offices in the province, and the bank of the Republic has ordered rural branches to transfer their reserves to the large cities, where there are regular army garrisons.

Although the manifesto extolled the memory of the late General Aparicio Saravia, who was leader of the Nationalist Party, and bore a picture of Francisco Artuccio alongside a severe criticism of the present Government, both the latter and Saravia's son, Nepomuceno, in telegrams to the Minister of the Interior denied that the movement in which they were engaged proposed "altering the public order." They sought only civic reform, they said.

One sentence of the manifesto, which read, "This assembly proclaims a revolution, and we of it lay our lives at the altar of the Fatherland, either to reconstitute it or die for it," was taken to refer to a meeting last Saturday at Blanquillo of 600 or 700 persons, at which Nepomuceno Saravia is said to have been present.

NORTH CHINA FAMINE

TWO MILLION DEATHS IN A YEAR

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

PEKING, JAN. 13

Terrible hardships prevail in the famine area in Central Shensi (north-west China). There, out of a population of 6,000,000, it is estimated that 2,000,000 have died during the past 12 months, and 2,000,000 more, it is believed, are certain to die before the next crops are gathered in June.

These figures are given by the special delegate of the China International Famine Relief Commission, who has just returned to Peking after investigating the

famine, which he describes as one of the most severe known in China in recent times. He states that starvation is widespread over a region of 5,000 square miles. In some places the people are eating elm leaves, chaff, and any rubbish they can obtain. Desperate parents are ready to give their children away to any one who will feed them. Masses of the populace are awaiting death in dull despair; others with more energy are joining the ranks of bandits, whose activities are adding to the misery of the afflicted region.

The horrors of the famine are increased by the rigour of the winter, which is said to be the most severe known in this part of the country for 40 years. The troops of the Kuominchun Army, numbering 300,000 in this region, are suffering great hardship, being reduced to a ration of 12oz. of millet a day.

The cause of the famine, which is also acute in a small corner of South-west Shansi, is the successive failure of the crops since the spring of 1927. There is plenty of food in other parts of the country, some not many hundred miles away, but it is feared the prospect of any substantial measure of relief in the famine area is remote, chiefly owing to the lack of communications. The difficulties in this respect have been greatly increased by the civil strife, the military having disorganized the railways and commandeered other means of transport. Besides this the animals in the famine region are being killed for food.

HONG-KONG UNIVERSITY

SIR C. CLEMENTI'S APPEAL

HONG-KONG, Jan. 13.—Sir Cecil Clementi, the retiring Governor of Hong-kong, in an address to the congregation of the University, made an appeal for an allocation from the Boxer Indemnity Fund for the Hong-kong University.

I am convinced (he said) that the University would, if it was provided with the means, do something towards training future administrators of China in the way they must be trained if they are to succeed. If his Majesty's Government decides that the University is an institution with which, in the interests of British influence and British trade in the Far East, the British Empire cannot afford to dispense, and will take this opportunity of helping the institution as such, the whole financial outlook of the University will change. By the same act of generosity his Majesty's Ministers can proclaim to the world their unwavering confidence in British educational methods and ideals and their determination to leave nothing undone calculated to contribute to the reconstruction of China.—*Reuter.*

STATUS OF SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Jan. 13.—Mr. Justice Feetham, of the Transvaal, who has been invited by the Municipal Council of the International Settlement of Shanghai to investigate the position with a view to recommending a scheme for the future status of the city, arrived here with his wife to-day.—*Reuter.*

ATTACK ON NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT

PARTY FUSION URGED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

WELLINGTON, JAN. 13

Public interest in the political situation in New Zealand has been revived by a public attack by Mr. Davy, chairman of the United Party political organization and formerly chief campaign organizer, upon the United Party leader, Sir Joseph Ward, and his Cabinet.

Mr. Davy declares that Sir Joseph Ward has made the Government a one-man party, with a thoroughly cowed Cabinet acquiescing meekly in everything he suggests. Since Sir Joseph Ward's illness, he says, a section of the Cabinet has made a close corporation of the Government and ignored the rank and file of the party. The Government has failed to follow its declared policy, it lacks leadership owing to the illness of its leader, and some members of the Cabinet have persistently fawned upon the Labour Party from a desire to retain office regardless of the country's welfare. Their mistakes, he adds, will shortly throw the country into the arms of Labour unless a return is made to the two-party system, which is desired by the majority of the supporters of the Reform and United parties.

In a brief reply Sir Joseph Ward declares that the Government has carried out its policy by acceleration of State advances, by grappling with unemployment, and by preparing to expedite public works and land settlement. The suggestion of one-man domination is, he says, absurd. He expresses no surprise at Mr. Davy's critical attitude, since Mr. Davy was aware that there had been much dissatisfaction with his (Mr. Davy's) actions.

SOUTH AFRICAN CUSTOMS CONFERENCE

A RHODESIAN AGREEMENT

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BULAWAYO, JAN. 13

It is officially announced that, as the result of a conference at Bulawayo, the terms of a Customs agreement between Northern and Southern Rhodesia have been agreed on. The terms have not so far been made known. The conference was attended by Sir James Maxwell, the Governor of Northern Rhodesia, and the Treasurer, Mr. Dobree, and by Mr. Moffat, Prime Minister, and Mr. Fynn, Treasurer of Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. Moffat leaves for Cape Town on Friday, and he will be followed by Mr. Fynn and Mr. Downie, Minister of Mines, Works, and Industries. The delegates of Northern Rhodesia will probably be Mr. Dobree and Mr. Gordon-Smith, Attorney-General. There is an optimistic feeling here that the Cape Town conference will produce agreement, but regret is expressed that Mr. Kemp, Union Minister of Agriculture, should, at this stage, have made reference to the duty of 3s. 6d. on tobacco as permanent. This is not justified by the existing arrangement, while the attitude it expresses is not calculated to lead to agreement.

N.S.W. COAL DISPUTE

GOVERNMENT POLICE MEASURES

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

SYDNEY, JAN. 13

The inquest which was to have been held at Maitland to-day on the body of Norman Brown, the miner who was killed in the riot at Rothbury last month, has been adjourned until February 2. The Coroner stated that further publicity at this stage was likely to inflame feeling among the miners and to make matters worse.

Mr. Bavin, the State Premier, announced to-day that the Government was strengthening the police on the coalfields and had given orders to prevent mass picketing and assemblies proclaimed as unlawful. Miners taking part in such or obstructing the police would have their food relief stopped. He warned miners of the grave danger attending these concentrations, which, he said, were brought about by a small number of militants, who threatened unionists with deprivation of their lock-out pay.

Owing to the quartering of police in all the hotels at Kurri, the hotels have been declared "black" and all their staffs withdrawn by order of the Hotel Employees' Union.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MELBOURNE, JAN. 13

The joint Federal and N.S.W. Royal Commission on the coal industry, which began its inquiry last June, has reported that it is unable to make any recommendation on account of the shortness of the time at its disposal. Mr. Scullin, the Prime Minister, has refused an extension of time. To deal with New South Wales conditions, however, the Commission's term is being extended by the New South Wales Government.

The first of a series of Federal Cabinet meetings was held in Melbourne to-day. Mr. Scullin has hastened to assure the public that there is no intention of forsaking Canberra or of departing from the practice strictly observed by Mr. Bruce of transacting Federal business as far as possible in the Federal capital. He states that it is merely a question of convenience on this occasion. It is understood that the Cabinet did not discuss the New South Wales coal dispute, but devoted its attention chiefly to the question whether the Development and Migration Commission should be abolished or, alternatively, absorbed in another Department. An early decision is expected.

VOLCANIC CLOUD OVER MARTINIQUE

NORTHERN AREA EVACUATED

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

TRINIDAD, JAN. 13

A student of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, who returned from leave in the United States yesterday in an aeroplane of the West Indies Airways, says that Martinique was hidden in a volcanic cloud through which could be caught glimpses of silent villages and deserted cocoa estates. The northern part of the island has been evacuated, and public gatherings are prohibited.

** Last November it was reported from Fort de France, Martinique, that Mont Pelé had been very active, throwing up dense clouds of smoke and ash to a height of 12,000ft. Small quantities of lava began to flow down the mountainside, and, although no immediate danger was expected, some alarm was caused by the fact that this was the way in which the volcano behaved just before the disastrous eruption of 1902, in which 40,000 people were killed.

INDIAN AIR MAIL

NEW ROUTE TO ATHENS

(BY OUR AERONAUTICAL CORRESPONDENT)

The England-India air mail, which during the suspension of the Mediterranean link from Genoa to Alexandria was run overland to Athens, will in future follow the overland route permanently, on account of the breakdown of the agreement with Italy by which Imperial Airways were able to work a flying-boat service along the Italian coast to Greece. This change of route was not desired by Imperial Airways, but the conditions imposed by Italy on a renewal of the agreement were too onerous. As it happens, the overland route is about 100 miles shorter than the Italian coast route, and offers possibilities of quickening the service.

The agreement with Italy was of a reciprocal nature. By it Imperial Airways were given the right to use the same ports of call in Italy as were used by the Società Anonima Navigazione Aerea, which was to run an intermediate service between Genoa and Alexandria, and had the right, through the co-operation of the Egyptian Government, to use Alexandria as its terminal port in Egypt. Italy insisted that Tobruk, in Libya, should be a port of call, though this was of no advantage to the service, and it was only after prolonged negotiation that the ports in Italy to be made available for the service were fixed. Imperial Airways began their service punctually on March 30 of last year, and ran it with great regularity until misfortune befel two of their machines in September and October. But the intermediate Italian flying-boat service, which was to run across the Mediterranean in the middle of each week, was not so prompt in beginning or regular. When the time came to renew the agreement Italy claimed half the revenue from the mails and traffic which Imperial Airways carried over Italian territory. The claim was not merely in respect of the traffic between Europe and Egypt, in which Italy at any rate shared, but of all the traffic to places as far beyond as India. Such a claim could not be entertained.

The new route is Croydon-Cologne-Nuremberg - Vienna - Budapest - Belgrade - Uskub - Salonika-Athens. At Athens the Short Calcutta flying-boats take over the load and fly the sea stretch from Athens to Alexandria in one day, with a stop in Crete. At present the mail goes by air to Cologne, and is then put on the train to Athens, but this is a temporary arrangement. The winter conditions on certain sections of the route remain to be carefully studied, but it seems that as experience is gained it may be possible in summer to effect a big saving in time over certain sections. For instance, if the air mail left Croydon at midnight and reached Cologne at dawn, it would be possible to reach Belgrade in one day, Athens in two days, and Egypt in three days. This, of course, is not possible in winter, and there seems to be a case for two time-tables, one for winter and one for summer, as otherwise the standard schedule must always be a compromise difficult of attainment in winter and wasteful of daylight in summer.

AIR MAIL TO SOUTH AMERICA

A NEW GERMAN SERVICE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, JAN. 12

This year is to bring further extensions of the international services operated by the Deutsche Lufthansa, which controls practically all German civil aviation.

Herr Wronsky, a director of the Lufthansa, told Press representatives that during 1930 an air-and-sea mail service to South America would be opened. The mails would go by air to the Canary Islands, be carried thence by steamer to Fernando Noronha, off the coast of Brazil, and would then be distributed along the South American coast by aircraft of the German-controlled Condor Company. (This service will compete with the French air-and-sea service from Dakar to the Cape Verde Islands, Fernando Noronha, and Natal.) Herr Wronsky added that arrangements had also been made with the Zeppelin works to use the Lufthansa and Condor aircraft services as feeders and distributors at either end of the route when an airship service between Spain and Argentina was opened.

Telegrams in Brief

Several officials have been arrested following the discovery of extensive frauds on the PERSIAN Government.

Mr. Tunney, the champion heavy-weight boxer, underwent an operation in NEW YORK yesterday for stone in the kidney.

The Duca di Bovino, a member of one of the oldest Neapolitan families, has been appointed first Podestà of NAPLES.

Port workers in BUENOS AIRES have declared a 48-hour general strike because of the shooting of one of their number.—*Reuter.*

The storm off the SIBERIAN coast has died down, and the airmen at Nulato hope to begin a new search for Lieutenant Eielson almost immediately.

The *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, one of the most important newspapers in German-speaking SWITZERLAND, yesterday celebrated the 150th anniversary of its foundation.

Rai Bahadur Jai Lal has been appointed to the judgeship made vacant by the addition of one Puisne Judge to the permanent strength of the High Court of Judicature at LAHORE.

The Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Annual for 1930, printed at the Times of India Press, BOMBAY, contains a number of articles on sport and travel by well-known writers.

Our CHERBOURG Correspondent reports that many calls for help have been received from fishing vessels in the Channel. Two men were drowned when a motor-boat went on to the rocks at the Nez de Jobourg.

Herr Maximilian Stein, founder of the settlement movement in BERLIN, described the work of Arnold Toynbee to a large audience during the celebration of the 25th anniversary of Berlin's Toynbee Hall on Sunday.

The Very Rev. Hayward S. Ablewhite, Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Marquette, MICHIGAN, has been elected Bishop of Marquette in succession to the Right Rev. R. L. Harris, who recently resigned on account of ill-health.

Colonel Carvalho, chief administrator of the First Military District, and one other person have been sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment and a fine for fraudulently obtaining £21,725 from the BRAZILIAN War Ministry.

A detachment of 23 members of the CANADIAN Mounted Police has been selected to compete in the International Horse Show at Olympia this summer. It has begun a course of special training at Regina, and will sail early in June.

Rabbi Jacob Meir, chief Sephardic Rabbi of PALESTINE, has annulled the engagement of a 13-year-old girl to an old man. The annulment establishes a precedent in the controversy on child marriage, which is still practised by native Jewish communities in Palestine.

Man Mohan Singh, the Indian airman, who is flying from Croydon to India, and who had not been heard of since he left St. Quentin on Sunday afternoon, landed near NOYON at 6 o'clock on Sunday evening. His aircrew was broken on landing, and he left by motor-car yesterday for Le Bourget.

Major-General G. A. H. Beatty, the senior officer of Hodson's Horse at present serving in India, unveiled recently at KOHAT the regimental War memorial. It takes the form of a quarter guard gong suspended from a bronze lintel, which is in turn supported by two Theban pillars of the same material, resting upon a solid oak pedestal, and bears the names of the officers and men of Hodson's Horse who fell during the War.

BELGIAN BANKER'S DEATH

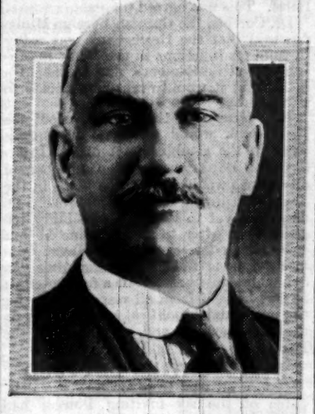
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BRUSSELS, JAN. 13

Baron Cassel, the Belgian banker, died in Brussels last night in his 76th year, after a short illness. He was head of the banking firm, Maison Cassel et Cie., which was established nearly a century ago.

In public affairs Baron Cassel was often consulted by the Belgian Government, and great value was placed on his judgment. He was created a Baron by King Albert in recognition of his eminent services to the State. When the King set on foot his Fund for Scientific Research, Baron Cassel was one of the first and most generous subscribers. He was a discriminating lover of art, and possessed a valuable collection of pictures. Recently he presented to the Musée Royal des Beaux Arts in Brussels a fine canvas by the painter Cranach. His death will be keenly felt in financial circles.

Other Foreign News on following page



"STOP THAT DRIFTING"

Sir Herbert Austin's Appeal for Trained Minds.

"Too many people are just drifting."

This is the opinion of Sir Herbert Austin, Chairman of the Austin Motor Company, and one of the leading business authorities in Britain.

"Our streets," he says, "are crowded with men and women who will pass through this life and fail to get very much out of it and depart leaving no legacy to posterity."

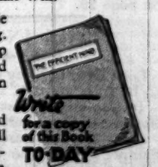
There is a remedy for this. Men and women, in Sir Herbert Austin's view, should train their minds on scientific lines. They should take a course of Pelmanism and learn how to develop Will-Power, how to make their brains more efficient, and thus not only fit themselves for better things but learn how to go out and get them.

"To command opportunity and compel success," he writes, "every man must have a full and sure conviction of his inherent right to a place in the sun, and must then train his mind to such vigour that it is capable of grappling with the problems of life as they arrive.

"It is not enough to have a disgruntled feeling about the other fellow's more fortunate lot, nor will it help to envy him his preferment. The job for every one of us is first to *fit* ourselves for better things and then to go out after them.

"Here it is that I am sure Pelmanism is proving of immense help to the people of to-day. A study of the science of Pelmanism will enable the student to develop a Will and to make his brain an efficient servant of that Will.

"Too many people are just drifting. Pelmanism can stop that drifting and start the drifter on a useful journey."



Readers interested in this subject will find a full description of Pelmanism in a little book entitled "The Efficient Mind." This book can be obtained, free of cost, by any reader who applies for it to-day. Write for this book to the Pelman Institute, 20, Pelman House, Bloomsbury Street, London, W.C.1, and it will be sent to you by return, gratis and post free.

"FEAR IS DEAD—KILLED BY PELMANISM."

Letter from a Clergyman Who Dreaded the Sea.

IT is well-known that thousands of men and women are held back in life because they are afraid. They have lost confidence in themselves. They are afraid of something, they don't exactly know what. Sometimes they are afraid of the Future. Sometimes they fear the effect of being thrown up against some stronger and more vital personality than themselves. Sometimes they are afraid of the consequences of *Action*, even if it is only the action of ringing someone up on the telephone. Sometimes they are obsessed by strange, irrational fears and "Phobias," which haunt them, interfere with their work, and make their lives miserable. There is no reason why they should go on being in this state. As the following letter from a Clergyman shows, these fears can be killed by Pelmanism:—

"Three years ago I completed a course of Pelmanism.

"I began in a horrible neurasthenic state of 18 years' standing, with an impaired Will, an impaired Memory, utter lack of Self-Confidence and full of fears.

"After a few weeks of the Course, I was told (by someone ignorant of my taking it) that I looked brighter and more alert. Certainly the benefits grew and still show themselves. I finished the Course with a clear and calmer mind; a restored Memory of good capacity; a stronger Will and such Confidence that I have undertaken, and do undertake, duties and responsibilities such as would have been quite impossible a few years ago.

"The latest evidence of the benefits received is that I crossed to Belgium this year by the Dover-Ostend route. This may appear to be a trifle, but when I consider that the idea of being on a ship has, for 21 years, been the cause of innumerable nightmares, I look on the voyage as the greatest victory of my life. This fear is dead—killed by Pelmanism.

"I certainly got my money's worth and a bit over, and look back with pleasure to the work of the Course, and the courtesy I received at the hands of the Staff."

(*B.*30,206.)

One effect of Pelmanism is to subdue and eventually to banish such irrational but decidedly harmful "fears" as these. It makes you more certain of yourself and of your own scientifically-trained and consciously-directed powers. It banishes Depression and Morbid States of Mind and generates a spirit of Optimism and Cheerfulness which helps to make life easier and happier. It also develops in you that sane, sensible Self-Confidence which never fails to impress other people, and thus enables you to carry your point and to make your presence and personality felt in your various relations with others.

A Teacher writes:—

"I have more Self-Confidence and am not so subject to fits of Depression." (D.32,362.)

A Business Man writes:—

"I have no fears now; they have all disappeared. My rather timid disposition has become a resolved, determined disposition. My capacity for work is far greater than it was a year ago." (C.31,329.)

Another interesting letter is from a member of a well-known County Family, who writes:—

"I feel I can take on increased responsibility with greater confidence since embarking on this Course. I am now commanding a Territorial Brigade in place of a Battalion. My interests have increased in other ways. I notice more than I did, and my knowledge of detail is more accurate." (E.32,055.)

Pelmanism has also been found to be of assistance to those who are working up for examinations. A Medical Practitioner, for instance, writes as follows:—

"You will no doubt be interested to learn that I passed my Final Examination in Medicine in September of last year. I attribute a very large part of my success to the extremely helpful and practical 'Little Grey Books.'" (C.31,022.)

The Pelman Course is fully explained in a little book entitled "The Efficient Mind." In this book you can read how Pelmanism banishes Forgetfulness, Depression, Timidity, Lack of Confidence, and Indecision, and how it develops in their place Initiative, Concentration, Self-Confidence, Optimism, Observation, Organising Power, Resourcefulness, a Good Memory, and other equally valuable qualities. It thus enables you to live a fuller, richer and happier life. You can obtain a free copy of this book by filling up the following coupon and posting it to-day to the Pelman Institute, 20, Pelman House, Bloomsbury Street, London, W.C.1. The book will then be sent to you by return, gratis and post free.

Readers who can call at the Institute will be cordially welcomed. The Chief Consultant will be very pleased to have a talk with them, and no fee will be charged for his advice.

POST THIS COUPON TO-DAY.

To the PELMAN INSTITUTE,
20, Pelman House, Bloomsbury Street, London, W.C.1.

SIR,—Please send me, gratis and post free, a copy of "THE EFFICIENT MIND," with full particulars showing me how I can enrol for a course of Pelmanism on the most convenient terms.

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LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE

FRENCH VIEW OF BRITISH NOTE

MEDITERRANEAN PARITY

ITALIAN CLAIM

At the request of the delegations to the Five-Power Naval Conference, which will be opened by the King in the Royal Gallery of the House of Lords this day week, official entertainment has been reduced as much as possible.

On the night before the Conference opens the Government will entertain the delegates at the Savoy Hotel, and there will be a reception at Lancaster House afterwards. On January 23 the delegates will be entertained at dinner at Guildhall. Later they will be the guests of the Pilgrims at dinner, and after that the Foreign Correspondents' Association is giving a dinner in their honour. These are the only official functions as yet arranged. Morning dress will be worn at the opening as well as the other meetings of the Conference, and plain evening dress will be worn at the official entertainments.

In Paris the British reply to the French Memorandum is considered to be "encouraging." On the other hand the French fear that the claim of Italy to naval parity with France may have a prejudicial effect not only on the fortunes of the Conference, but also on relations between the two countries, as naval rivalry would make the settlement of the various matters in dispute between them more difficult than ever. The Fascist Party has issued a declaration that it is "absolutely and entirely impossible" to renounce parity with France.

The three principal Japanese delegates saw Mr. MacDonald again yesterday, the Prime Minister being accompanied by Mr. Craigie, Head of the American Department of the Foreign Office.

A complete exposition of the Japanese and British standpoints in regard to the reduction of naval armaments has now been made on either side, and no further meeting between delegates has been arranged before the Conference begins. Technical details resulting from the recent conversations will, however, be discussed by Japanese and British experts during the next few days.

Our Correspondence Columns to-day give further indications of the apprehension which has been aroused by Mr. Alexander's recent statement that the Admiralty accepts 50 cruisers as adequate for the British Empire's needs, instead of the 70 which have hitherto been regarded as the minimum number necessary.

FRENCH POLICY

LONDON A PREPARATION FOR GENEVA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 13

The British reply to the French Note on Naval Disarmament, summaries of which appeared in this morning's newspapers, is regarded here as, on the whole, encouraging. The British Government's declaration that it is ready to discuss some arrangement based on the transactional proposal made by France with regard to limitation by tonnage is especially welcomed in official quarters.

With regard to the question of a Mediterranean Pact, the view taken in official circles here is that something much more extensive than a parallel to the Pacific Pact is necessary if it is to contribute towards the elimination of competitive building between France and Italy. It is held that any agreement entered into by France for preserving the *status quo* in the Mediterranean must, if it is to have any value at all, imply a definite and precise procedure in the event of a dispute, and must involve definite undertakings and the recognition of responsibility by the various parties to it. A mere agreement to discuss a matter in dispute is regarded as being quite inadequate.

The tone of the British reply is appreciated as an indication of the calm spirit in which Great Britain approaches the discussion of the delicate points that are bound to arise, and this conciliatory tone will, it is thought, improve the prospects of an ultimate agreement. What form this agreement will take is not even being considered, as it is admitted that in certain respects there is a large margin between French and British views. The French view was definitely stated that land, sea, and air armaments were but part of the same problem, and, so far as can be judged at present, the opinion that the Conference in London is merely preparatory to further progress at Geneva remains unconvinced by the new British arguments.

MEDITERRANEAN PACT

In its leading article commenting on the reply this evening, the *Temps*, although expressing satisfaction with its general tone, notes that, while Great Britain clings to the essential points of view as originally stated, there is no disinclination to have regard for the arguments of the other interested Powers. It adds that, although the British Government takes into account the new situation created by the Kellogg Pact, this does not prevent it from bearing in mind everything connected with the security of the Empire and the other responsibilities involved when it is a question of laying down conditions governing Anglo-American parity. The British Government cannot, therefore, take it amiss that the other nations should feel equal solicitude for the safeguarding of their own security. The *Temps* also remarks that Great Britain approaches the proposal for a Mediterranean Pact with a great deal of reserve. It is recognized that, though a solution of the naval problem would be greatly facilitated by a Mediterranean Pact, the hesitation of Great Britain at assuming new responsibilities, and the claims of Italy to subordinate it to a settlement of all outstanding disputes with France, may render its adoption difficult. Much, the newspaper thinks, will depend upon the way in which the question is posed in London and the elasticity of the formula to be examined.

It is thus clear that France's principal preoccupation is with the Italian claims. It is this which gives rise to the fear widely expressed here that the discussions in London, so far from assisting Franco-Italian relations, may in the end prove a hindrance and a danger. There are between the two countries matters in dispute which have been the subject of sterile negotiations for the last two years. They affect such matters as the status of nationals and frontiers in Africa, but naval questions have not hitherto entered into them. Both countries have been engaged on reconstructing their fleets with the sole regard for their own needs. There has been no question of competitive building. It is feared that when once the two countries, at the instance of the London Conference, begin framing their naval programmes with an eye to parity or superiority, from whatever cause, the element of naval rivalry is introduced. It is feared, and quite frankly stated, that Italy might use the naval situation thereby created as something to bargain with in the settlement of more immediate problems.

PARITY WITH FRANCE ESSENTIAL

FASCIST DECLARATION

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

ROME, JAN. 13

Referring to the London Naval Conference, the Order Sheet of the Fascist Party, issued this morning, says that one of the difficulties to be overcome is the question of naval parity with France, a parity which has been acquired from the Protocols of Washington onwards.

To renounce this parity [the Order Sheet says] is absolutely and entirely impossible. Whether parity is based on a high or a low or the existing level is a matter of indifference; the essential is that the right to parity be preserved also in the new protocol, which must or should conclude the labours of the London Conference. Italy not only maintains integrally her rights to naval parity with France, but claims also in theory such a right in respect to the strongest naval Power in the world. It is only by reason of her modest economic and financial possibilities that Italy refrains from advancing her rights to naval parity with England.

The position of Italy in the Mediterranean is serious, even tragic. The life of a nation of 42,000,000 of inhabitants depends on the passage through the Straits of Gibraltar—only a few kilometres wide and easily blockaded even with inconsiderable forces—through which Italy communicates with the Western world. It is possible that the rock of Franco-Italian parity may shipwreck the vessel of the London argonauts searching for peace. Such a contingency, due to such a reason, leaves us completely unmoved.

It is always open to the Government to disavow the words of the party Order Sheet, but nevertheless the connexion between the Fascist Party and the Government in Italy is notoriously so intimate that this declaration must be considered as highly significant.

SIZE OF BATTLESHIPS

JAPANESE VIEWS ON REDUCTION

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

TOKYO, JAN. 13

The suggestion made in England that the Naval Conference should begin with a discussion on capital ships is favourably received here. The Japanese delegates were given instructions which, in the view of the Government, should enable them to play a constructive part in the discussions.

It is believed here that there is practical wisdom in taking up first the task on which agreement seems easiest. At Geneva Japan took a different view, holding that the business of the Conference was limited to auxiliaries. This objection does not apply to London, as the invitation specifically referred to capital ships. Since Geneva there has also been an awakening to the economic problem of replacing ships costing £6,000,000. Mr. Wakatsuki, the chief Japanese delegate to the London Conference, is particularly conversant with this aspect of the question, for his most damaging criticism of the late Government's finance was of their failure to foresee the heavy expenditure involved in battleship replacement.

Japan is ready to agree to a reduction of battleship tonnage to 30,000 or 25,000. If 30,000 tons were adopted, she believes that 16in. guns should be retained; if 25,000 tons becomes the standard, 14in. guns should be sufficient. A reduction to 12in. guns finds no favour here. The prolongation of the life of a battleship to 26 years is agreeable, as is also a quinquennium delay in starting replacement. An alteration of the numbers fixed at the Washington Conference is thought to be undesirable. A suggestion, which, apparently, has been unofficially advanced, for the reduction of capital ships to 10,000 tons is not acceptable to Japan, which considers that the capital ships of weaker Powers must be more heavily armed than cruisers.

AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE'S ARRIVAL

Mr. J. E. Fenton, the Australian Minister for Trade and Customs, who will represent the Commonwealth at the Naval Conference, arrived in London from Paris last evening. He was met at Victoria by Lord Passfield (Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs), Mr. N. M. Butler (representing the Prime Minister), Sir Harry Batterbee (of the Dominions Office), and Mr. T. Trumble (Secretary at Australia House, representing the High Commissioner, who is at The Hague Conference). Mr. Fenton said that Australia thought the Naval Conference was of such importance that she had sent a Cabinet Minister 12,000 miles to attend it.

In the course of his stay Mr. Fenton will meet representatives of British trade.

Our Brussels Correspondent telegraphs that Mr. Hugh Gibson, the United States Ambassador to Belgium, left yesterday to attend the Conference.

AUSTRALIAN CRITICISM OF CRUISER REDUCTION

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MELBOURNE, JAN. 13

The *Argus*, in a leading article on Mr. Alexander's statement on the reduction of the Empire's cruiser strength from 70 to 50, says it regards the offer as "very disturbing."

The newspaper adds:—

Apart from the desire to make a contribution to world-wide limitation, which is shared almost universally, the only justification Mr. Alexander gives for this drastic reduction is the existence of the Kellogg Pact and other similar solemn undertakings. High though the hopes based on these premises may be, they are liable to prove illusory.

The newspaper refers to the summary and progressive reduction of the Empire's defences since 1914, and declares:—

Still further to discard a substantial portion of our remaining essential defences would be to destroy any feeling of security that might be left.

OBITUARY

We have to announce the deaths of two well-known engineers—DR. S. Z. DE FERRANTI, F.R.S., a pioneer in electric supply, and SIR THOMAS MATTHEWS, late Engineer-in-Chief of Trinity House.

Memoirs appear on p. 19.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 13

The death occurred in Paris to-day of PROFESSOR AUGUSTE RATEAU, a French engineer who played a great part in the development of turbine engines. In the field of aviation he invented the turbo-compressor which bears his name and which permits aeroplanes to reach great altitudes. He was Inspector-General of Mines and a member of the French Academy of Sciences.

DR. SCHACHT AND YOUNG PLAN

A POLITICAL MOVE

DELEGATIONS IN AGREEMENT

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

THE HAGUE, JAN. 13

Dr. Schacht, the President of the Reichsbank, who arrived here this morning for the meetings of the Organization Committee for the Bank for International Settlements, lost no time in making one of those flamboyant political moves which are expected of him. It had been known in certain financial circles for some little time that Dr. Schacht had indicated to Mr. Jackson Reynolds, the Chairman of the Organization Committee, that he might have to reserve his decision on the participation of the Reichsbank in the Bank for International Settlements if certain developments—they were outlined in his memorandum of December—were not checked. When the Committee met today a letter from Dr. Schacht was delivered to Mr. Reynolds, who had just arrived from the United States to preside at the meeting, and in this letter the President of the Reichsbank put his threat in stronger terms.

The substance of the letter was that the Reichsbank would not be prepared to subscribe its part of the capital of the International Bank unless not only the Young Plan was accepted and became law, but also in the final arrangement for carrying out the Plan a number of purely political conditions were satisfied, such as the abandonment by Great Britain of the sequestration of German property and the abandonment by France of all military and political sanctions.

The letter naturally caused a good deal of excitement, and in the discussion which followed the doubt was expressed whether the Organization Committee could deal with such questions. It was therefore decided to communicate the letter at once to M. Jaspar, the President of the Conference, and that in the meantime the Organization Committee should adjourn.

MR. SNOWDEN'S PROPOSAL

The letter was communicated by M. Jaspar to the heads of the delegations of the six inviting Powers, who were then in session. A discussion was held, and the German delegates were asked to decide what attitude the German delegation, as representing the German Government, would take. The meeting of Ministers was adjourned for several hours while the German delegation retired to consider the position. When, at 7 o'clock, they returned and the discussion was resumed, it was found that the delegates of the six inviting Powers, including Germany, were unanimous in agreement that they would not tolerate any political interference on the part of Dr. Schacht in questions upon which they had practically reached an agreement. They also decided unanimously to proceed with the work of preparing the formal documents embodying these decisions, exactly as if this communication from Dr. Schacht had not been received.

Mr. Snowden pointed out quite clearly that Dr. Schacht could not have the right to veto decisions taken by the Governments, and he proposed that the Governments should proceed with the work of the Conference and that the jurists should be instructed to continue the preparation of the protocol and advise the delegations if any difficulties arose. He thought they might even go so far as to see the Swiss representatives here with regard to the arrangements for setting up the Bank at Basel. This was agreed to.

Dr. Curtius, the German Foreign Minister, said that the Reichsbank was ready to fulfil its functions in the Bank for International Settlements, and indicated a belief that it would eventually decide to participate.

It is clear that the withdrawal of the Reichsbank would cause no little difficulty in the establishment of the International Bank and that a number of alterations would have to be made in the draft Statutes. There is, however, no reason as yet to take the possibility too seriously. After taking the line he has since the first session of The Hague Conference, it is not astonishing that Dr. Schacht should have made a further effort to free himself from all responsibility for the unavoidable political compromises on the interpretation and application of the Report he signed in Paris.

DIFFICULTIES SETTLED

Before all this trouble arose the delegates of the six inviting Powers had reached agreement on the several questions left over from Saturday. It was decided that the German payments should be made in full on the 15th of every month, in foreign currencies; the German Government will recover the Reichsmarks at the end of the month. An agreement was also reached on the moratorium clauses, on the lines of the prepared text. One of the Articles of the Agreement provides that, in accordance with the Young Plan, at the end of any period of postponement the amount postponed becomes immediately payable. Another Article provides that, in the event of a declaration of postponement by the German Government after it has come to the conclusion that Germany's economic life may be seriously endangered in the absence of such a postponement, the special Advisory Committee shall be convened in accordance with the Plan.

It will be noted that, whereas the agreement on the date of payment and the repayment of moratorium arrears went, on the whole, in favour of the creditor-Powers, the request of the creditors for security on the assigned revenues in addition to Germany's word, to which the Germans so strongly objected, was quietly dropped.

MORRIS AND JONES, LIMITED

Mr. M. C. Harman, chairman of Morris and Jones, Limited, replied yesterday to a circular suggesting the appointment of a shareholders' committee. Mr. Harman said that at the meeting which he hoped would be held this week in London or Liverpool, according to the shareholders' wishes, he would place the whole position before them.

A statement by Mr. T. R. Jones, on behalf of the four directors who signed the circular, was issued last night and is given on page 20.

THE INVALIDS

Lord Byng of Vimy was stated last night to be going on well.

It was stated last night that Lady Cavan had had a very comfortable day.

Lady Maud Hoare, the wife of Sir Samuel Hoare, who broke her leg while skating on the Suvretta ice rink at St. Moritz on Saturday, is progressing very favourably.

The Lady Mayoress, who is suffering from tonsilitis, was stated last night to be making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

Mr. Leo Maxse passed a comfortable day yesterday, and gained in strength.

THE GREAT GALE

NAVAL TUG SUNK IN CHANNEL

23 LIVES LOST

Further news of the severe gale which swept a large part of the country on Sunday night emphasizes its intensity. Many deaths were caused by accidents on land and sea.

The most serious loss of life occurred when the naval tug St. Genny was struck by a huge sea and sank in the English Channel off the island of Ushant. Three officers and 20 ratings were lost, and there are only five survivors.

The loss of the St. Genny was officially announced yesterday as follows:—

The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that H.M. tug St. Genny, of the Fleet Target Service, attached to the Atlantic Fleet, sank in a severe gale at approximately 8.20 p.m. yesterday (Sunday) evening with the loss of 23 lives, about 32 miles north-west of Ushant.

The following have been saved:—

Petty Officer Henry BROTHERTON, J 20237.
Stoker George BROOKS, K 10343.
Signalman William SULLIVAN, J 64480.
Able Seaman Hector ELLIOTT, J 43713.
Able Seaman Alfred J. JENKINS, J 63625.

REPORTED LOST

OFFICERS

Lieutenant Charles Frederick PAUL.
Commissioned Gunner Philip Stanley LEAN.
Boatswain Charles Henry Beedell BURREN.

RATINGS

Harold BANKS (A.B.), J 32459 (Chatham).
Herbert George CIVIL (C.E.R.A., 1), M 804 (Chatham).
Alfred Edward Lionel COOMBES (Sto. 1st), K.X. 76581 (Chatham).
Richard Robert COTTON (Sto. 1st), K 62115 (Chatham).
James CROWTHER (Sto. 1st) K 16109 (Devonport).
Thomas FRAY (E.R.A., 2nd), M 34649 (Chatham).
Leonard Charles GREEN (Sto. 1st) K 62435 (Chatham).
Frederick James Benjamin HEBEL (Ldg. Sto.) K 59712 (Chatham).
George Arthur HOWES (A.B.), J 105307 (Chatham).
Sydney Richard KELLINGTON (A.B.) J 92220 (Chatham).
Claud William Nevill KEMP (Off. Std. 2nd) L 12749 (Chatham).
Frederick Andrew KNIGHT (Sto. 1st class) K 65419 (Chatham).
Paul MAITLAND (A.B.) J 100943 (Chatham).
William Henry PEPLER (E.R.A. 1st) M 14878 (Chatham).
Frederick George PINK (Ldg. Sto.) K 59106 (Chatham).
Albert James PRIEST (Off. Std. 3rd) L 14694 (Chatham).
Henry Albert RAVEN (Sto. 1st) K 58432 (Chatham).
Sidney Silvester TITMUS (A.B.) J 106605 (Chatham).
John Thomas WILLIS (Ldg. Sto.) K 2295 (Devonport).
Thomas John WILLOUGHBY (Tel.) J 48094 (Chatham).

STRUCK BY BIG WAVE

RESCUES BY COMPANION SHIPS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

WEYMOUTH, JAN. 13

News of the disaster to the tug St. Genny was received with surprise in the Atlantic Fleet at Portland. It was pointed out that while she was not a very large vessel, she was well built and very powerful, and had weathered very severe storms off the French coast during similar journeys with the Fleet in previous years.

Information received at Portland this evening shows that at the time of the disaster, 8.20 on Sunday evening, the wind was blowing at a rate of between 70 and 80 miles an hour, and at times reached 100 miles an hour. The St. Genny, her sister tug, St. Cyrus, and the sloop Snapdragon left Portland together on Saturday, and hove to about 30 miles N.W. of Ushant in the hope that the storm would abate. The three ships were within half a mile of each other. After one huge wave had swept the St. Cyrus and the Snapdragon, the look-out men missed the St. Genny. Searchlights were thrown on the spot where she was seen last, and several men were observed struggling in the water. The two ships approached the spot, and life lines were thrown to the drowning men, who were wearing lifebelts. In this way five men were saved. Owing to the heavy seas it was impossible to launch a lifeboat.

The light cruiser Frobisher, which was at Portland, was sent early this morning to give what help she could, but no men could live long in such a rough sea, even if they had lifebelts or had found wreckage. It is believed that a huge wave stove in the plates of the St. Genny, that there was a tremendous inrush of water, and that only the men on deck had a chance to escape, those below being caught in a trap. The Admiralty has ordered an inquiry.

The departure of the Atlantic Fleet for Spanish and Mediterranean ports has been postponed for 24 hours in consequence of the rough weather. The ships will leave port at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

THE KING'S SYMPATHY

The following telegram has been received by the Admiralty:—

"The King is much distressed to hear of the sinking of H.M. tug Saint Genny during yesterday's storm, and asks that you will convey to the relatives of all those who lost their lives an expression of his Majesty's sincere sympathy."

The cruiser Frobisher, escorting the sloop Snapdragon and the tug St. Cyrus, with the survivors of the St. Genny aboard, arrived off Plymouth at 8 o'clock last night, and anchored in the Sound. It was understood that the survivors would remain aboard during the night and land at Devonport Dockyard this morning.

LIEUT. PAUL AND HIS SHIP

The St. Genny belonged to the "Saint" class of fleet tugs built late in the War, and was of about 425 tons gross, with a length of 135ft., beam of 30ft., and a maximum draught of 14½ft. She was a single screw ship, with engines of 1,250 horse-power, giving her a nomirial speed of 12 knots. The St. Cyrus and the St. Genny were attached to the Atlantic Fleet Target Service, and the latter finished a refit at Chatham yard only on January 4, before leaving for the Mediterranean to take part in the spring cruise of the Fleet.

The St. Genny had been commanded since April 30 by Lieutenant C. F. Paul, R.N., formerly second-in-command of the fishery protection trawler Kennet.

Lieutenant Paul was born on November 18, 1882, and was promoted to the warrant rank of gunner in August, 1914, and appointed to H.M.S. Lord Nelson, flagship of Admiral Sir Cecil Burney. He remained in the ship when she was sent to the Eastern Mediterranean, where she was flagship of Vice-Admirals de Robeck and Thursby. From October, 1917, he served in the destroyer Express. He was promoted commissioned gunner in August, 1924, and lieutenant in June, 1928, after two years at Chatham Gunnery School.

DEATH ROLL OF THE STORM

MANY KILLED BY TREES

MOTOR-CYCLE ACCIDENTS

The number of deaths caused by the gale continues to grow. Many people were killed or fatally injured by falling trees.

Returning home during the height of the gale after a visit to their son, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, of Hemel Hempstead, had to pass through an avenue of trees in Gadebridge Park. Mr. Smith walked on one side of the road and his wife on the other. A tree was blown down and struck Mr. Smith on the head, killing him. Mrs. Smith escaped uninjured. While police with an ambulance were attending to Mr. Smith another tree fell, injuring a police-constable. Ten minutes later a motor-car was passing the spot when a third tree was blown down and smashed the radiator. Percy Andrews was severely hurt about the head.

At the height of the storm near Kenilworth a large tree fell across the cabin of a lorry belonging to Southern Roadways, Limited. Both the driver, William Copestake, of Clifton-road, Aston, Birmingham, and his mate, Jack Jeanes, of Hulton-road, Handsworth, Birmingham, were killed on the spot.

At Teignmouth on Sunday night, Mr. Fred Cross, a retired builder, superintending the removal of a fallen tree, was struck by branches of another falling tree and died from his injuries.

Two people killed at Rowfant, near Three Bridges, Sussex, on Sunday night, were identified yesterday as Mr. Alan Frederick Martin, of Broadwalk-road, Tunbridge Wells, a travelling bookstall manager, and Miss Mabel Laker, of Oakhill-road, Horsham. Mr. Martin was driving a motor-cycle, and Miss Laker was riding pillion. They failed to notice a large tree which had blown down across the road, and drove into it.

A motor-cyclist, William Woodhouse, of Tudor-road, Hayes, Middlesex, with a pillion passenger, ran into an uprooted tree on the Farnborough road, near Aldershot. The pillion passenger, Miss Violet Hand, of Church-street, Highbridge, Somerset, was seriously injured and is in the Aldershot Hospital suffering from concussion.

A Guildford motorist named Buckhead and a woman passenger had a remarkable escape when returning to Guildford. Their progress was blocked by a huge oak tree lying across the main London to Portsmouth road. They got out to look round, and, as they were stepping into the car again another large tree crashed on the front seat, crushing the car. Mr. Buckhead's right foot was pinned beneath the tree, and he also received injuries to his head and arms. Before he could be got into an ambulance it was necessary to lift him over nearly a dozen fallen trees. He was taken to the Surrey Hospital at Guildford and detained.

Reginald White, aged 20, a farm worker, of Marshfield, near Bath, crashed into a fallen tree and was fatally injured while cycling to work yesterday.

TWO KILLED IN BED

Frederick Bates and his wife, Eliza Bates, both about 60 years of age, were fatally injured in bed on Sunday night when the roof of their house in Bowdreys-lane, High Wycombe, Bucks, was blown off. Two policemen who heard them groaning and tried to reach them found the door wedged from inside. When eventually an entry was forced both man and wife were dead.

The body of Colin Hammond, aged 13, of Cavendish-street, Ramsgate, who was blown over Ramsgate pier while watching the departure of the local lifeboat on Sunday night, was recovered yesterday morning.

Betty, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Cross, of Cobham-street, Gravesend, had a narrow escape from death. A chimney dropped through the roof on to the cot in a back bedroom where the baby was sleeping. The cot was completely demolished, but the baby escaped.

While fixing a danger-lamp to a fallen tree at North Penot, Somerset, Harry Parker, a roadman, was killed by the fall of another tree.

102 MILES AN HOUR

HIGH WIND SPEEDS IN EAST AND WEST

(FROM OUR WEATHER CORRESPONDENT)

The fuller statistics for Sunday night's gale, now available, show that this was one of the most severe of the present winter for the South generally, and certainly the worst in South-east England. At Falmouth a speed of 102 miles an hour was reached in a gust—only one mile an hour less than the figure recorded on December 7 at the same place.

For the eastern districts the figures, although not so high, are more remarkable in view of the fact that the anemometers there are in general less favourably situated for receiving the full force of a westerly gale; they included 86 miles an hour at Cardington, 83 at Worthy Down (near Winchester), 77 at Croydon, and 75 at Lympne, London (Kensington), and Spurn Head.

The number of trees blown down was larger than would have normally been the case with a gale of equal strength, because of the exceptional rainfall of the last three and a half months, which has gradually saturated the soil to such a depth as to loosen to some extent the hold of even the largest trees; moreover the gale, especially in its later stage after the wind had veered to West, was markedly squally, and the frequent alternations from lull to squall gave the wind additional destructive power.

The intense depression that caused the recent gale had reached Denmark by 7 o'clock yesterday morning, and the gale had subsided on all our coasts, though still blowing strongly in Holland and Western Germany. The wind had already backed to South at Valentia with the approach of a new depression. Cloud, and in a few places rain or drizzle, soon spread from Ireland to most of Great Britain, but the new depression proved to be a relatively feeble "secondary."

The weather is expected to continue unsettled, but there is no immediate prospect of severe gales.

RAILWAY LINES AND ROADS BLOCKED

OBSTRUCTION BY TREES

On the Southern Railway trains running between Portsmouth and London were delayed. Five trees were blown down on the line between Witney and Milford, and single line working had to be enforced until the obstructions were removed. At Norbiton the station chimney-stack was blown down, and brickwork falling on the platform caused minor injuries to three passengers.

On the London Midland and Scottish Railway at 3.30 yesterday morning a wagon was blown out of a siding at Blisworth and derailed at the catch points. At Roade, Northamptonshire, the line was blocked for a time through part of a bridge being blown down. At Kettering a signal post was blown down on the up main line, and traffic had to be diverted. An iron fence at the south end of Hunsbury tunnel was blown down and the engine of the 6.45 p.m. train from Euston to Northampton, which ran into it, was damaged slightly.

On the Great Western Railway trees were blown down on the line between

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NEW LAND IN ANTARCTIC

SIR D. MAWSON'S FLIGHT

(From Sir Douglas Mawson)

ON BOARD THE DISCOVERY, JAN. 5.

This morning, while our airmen prepared the aeroplane for flight, the remainder of the scientists conducted marine observations at a depth of 1,100 fathoms. Mr. Simmers, the meteorologist, observed the drift of a sounding balloon to a height of 40,000ft. During the afternoon, piloted by Flying Officer Campbell, I examined by aeroplane the coastline of the land spread out before us as a magnificent panorama.

The coastline at the point of ascent, Longitude 61deg. East, extends approximately along Latitude 67deg. I traced its outline for 50 miles to the east and for 80 miles to the west, beyond Kemp

Land, to new land heading towards Enderby Land. It is clear that these latter adjacent territories are portions of the continuous coastline of the Antarctic Continent. Before us are the rising slopes of the continental plateau, and along the shore are frequent stretches of rock, which are in many places fringed with 10 or more miles of fast ice.

A few miles back from the coast are some striking ranges of black, rocky mountains several thousand feet in elevation, the most extensive being south-east of the ship. Rocky outcrops and ice-packs extend as far as they can be seen to the east and west, while the plateau summit, fading in the dim distance to the south, is relieved at intervals by striking, sharp, protruding peaks.

From the air it was also observed that the great region of heavy pack-ice through which the Discovery has battled for weeks, to the west gives place to waters comparatively little encumbered. We consequently expect that the voyage henceforth will be less obstructed.

JANUARY 7

During the evening hours yesterday the Discovery steamed south-west through loose pack towards the coast, where we hoped to make a landing. It was a gloriously clear and calm evening, and the fantastic ice-rafts, glowing with every hue and mirrored in the placid waters at midnight, presented a gorgeous spectacle, rendered more fascinating by the interest taken in us by the quaint denizens of these regions as they floated by on passing floes.

Within a few hours this splendid scene was transformed to chaos by the sudden descent from the land-slopes of a blizzard of extraordinary strength for a summer storm. Fortunately, there was open water near by, into which the ship headed, and where she managed to ride out the fury of the hurricane, with difficulty evading passing bergs. The average velocity of the wind, checked by several instruments, was 50 miles an hour, reaching in gusts 70 miles an hour. The wind has now diminished, and the serious features of the storm are past.

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PALESTINE POLICE FORCE

REORGANIZATION BY MR. DOWBIGGIN

It is officially announced that the Inspector-General of the Ceylon Police, Mr. Herbert Dowbiggin, will leave Colombo on January 16 for Palestine with a commission to reorganize the Palestine police force. He will arrive in Port Said on January 26.

Mr. Dowbiggin, who was born in 1880, entered the Ceylon police force in 1901, and became Inspector-General in 1913. In 1926 he went to Cyprus on a similar mission.

JOURNALISTS AND "PRIVILEGE"

THE JOHANNESBURG CASE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

JOHANNESBURG, JAN. 13

Mr. Pirow, the Minister of Justice, speaking at Potchefstroom, referred to the case of a reporter, Mr. Louw, who had refused to divulge to the police confidential information about an illegal lottery, which was the subject of an article he wrote in the *Rand Daily Mail*. Mr. Louw was recently convicted under the Police Administration Act, but sentence was suspended pending a possible appeal.

Mr. Pirow said journalists were often entrusted with confidences, and where these were within the law it might reasonably be claimed that they were sacrosanct. There was, however, a very clear difference between a confidence of this description and a confidence in which a crime or a breach of the law was involved. A journalist was as amenable to the laws of the land as any other citizen. There could thus be no standard of journalistic honour which made it necessary for a journalist to refuse to assist the properly constituted authorities of his country in maintaining the law of the land.

He thought that public opinion would not tolerate the kind of privilege that Mr. Louw claimed, but it was possible that an exception might be made in cases where a journalist pledged himself in connexion with a matter which was not illegal. Should journalists seek privileges similar to those enjoyed by lawyers, such an attitude might well be endorsed by public opinion, and even find a majority in the House of Assembly. The difficulties in this connexion did not appear to him insuperable.

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 13.—The Transvaal branch of the South African Society of Journalists decided at a meeting to-day that no appeal would be entered on behalf of Mr. Louw, of the staff of the *Rand Daily Mail*, who was sentenced on Friday of last week to eight days' imprisonment for refusing to divulge special information regarding an illegal lottery. It was stated that counsel had been consulted, as agreed upon at the meeting of the society on Friday, and had advised the committee that there were no grounds for an appeal.—*Reuter.*

THE ROYAL SCOTS

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel J. G. P. Romanes, D.S.O., The Royal Scots, has been selected for command of the 2nd Battalion of the Regiment, vice Lieutenant-Colonel F. C. Tanner, C.M.G., D.S.O., whose tenure expires on January 15, 1930.

AGITATION IN INDIA

EFFECT ON TRADE

THE VICEROY'S VISIT TO BOMBAY

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, JAN. 13

The Viceroy and Lady Irwin will arrive at Bombay at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning for a visit lasting until the end of the week. Although Lord Irwin has not deflected the course of his normal duties by a single step since the attempt to blow up his train two days before Christmas, the Indian police are not taking any risks, and strict precautions are being enforced to safeguard the Viceroy both on the 957-mile journey from Delhi and in the city of Bombay.

Those who have travelled in the wake of the Viceroy's recent tours have had a singularly good opportunity to study not only the many different Indias but the many different angles from which they view the national crisis, the shadow of which continues to hang over all. In Delhi one gets what for the sake of comparison may be called the atmosphere of Whitehall. In the Indian States an attitude of studious detachment, coupled with resolution not to be dragged at the chariot wheels of a sham democracy, has been all the more pronounced since the insults and indiscretions of the Congress *Pandal* [meeting] at Lahore.

INDUSTRIAL SITUATION

When an observer arrives here in Bombay he hears what commercial India is saying about it all. The present position is causing acute concern to the business interests which are essential to the life of the community. The cotton mills, which are to Bombay what the coalfields are to South Wales, are in a sad plight, the losses in five years amounting to 11½ crores of rupees [£8,625,000]. The causes of the slump are many, ranging from strikes, fomented by political agitators to serve their own ends, to the fact that Japan's textile imports into India in the last financial year reached a total of 357,000,000 yards.

Employers had hoped for a reasoned atmosphere in the coming session of the Assembly, in which the state of industry could be discussed and remedial measures suggested. At the moment it is difficult to see how industrial construction and political destruction can possibly be debated in the same breath. Whatever happens in New Delhi, this Presidency is now faced with the prospect of a resurgence of civil disobedience. The campaign of propaganda carried out by the students of Mr. Gandhi's "national university" in the farming district of Kaira, together with Mr. Vallabhbai Patel's direct advice to farmers in the Matar and Mehmedabad districts to stop paying taxes, revives the unhappy memories of Bardoli, only 100 odd miles away.

COLLAPSE OF A "NO TAX" MOVEMENT

CALCUTTA, Jan. 13.—All public meetings, processions, and assemblies have been prohibited in the Jessore district, and as a consequence the "no-tax" movement started in Bandbila has practically ended. Bijoy Chandra Roy, the secretary of the local Congress Committee and leader of the no-tax movement in Bandbila, who is in custody on charges under the prohibitory sections of the Criminal Procedure Code, has been further charged with attempted murder in connexion with an assault on a collecting agent.—*Reuter.*

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Weather Forecast

ENGLAND, S.E.—Wind south or south-west, moderate or fresh, veering and decreasing later ; cloudy, some rain ; mild, becoming colder later.

Further Outlook for the British Isles.—Quieter than of late, with bright periods ; rather cold, with night frost in many districts. (p. 16)

TO-DAY'S NEWS

HOME

By 30 votes to 19 the Cardiff City Council yesterday approved of the Finance Committee's recommendation vetoing the erection of 50 houses by direct labour. (p. 11)

The British naval tug St. Genny sank in the gale on Sunday night in the English Channel off Ushant with the loss of 23 of her crew. Only five lives were saved. (p. 14)

The roll of those killed or fatally injured in Sunday's gale continues to grow. Many persons were killed by falling trees. (p. 14)

An official report was issued yesterday of the proceedings at the Ministry of Transport on December 23, when a deputation presented its objections to the Charing Cross Bridge scheme embodied in the L.C.C. Bill. (p. 9)

Our Special Correspondent at Brighton deals in an article with the grounds of the opposition shown by ratepayers to a Parliamentary Bill which it is proposed to promote for the extension of the powers of the Brighton Corporation, and with the official reply to criticism of the measure. (p. 11)

Next August Bank Holiday week has been chosen as Navy Week at the home dockyards. The men's representatives on the joint Whitley Council are opposing the Admiralty's decision to close the yards during this week for the six days' holiday with pay recently granted. (p. 9)

Mr. Lansbury, First Commissioner of Works, paid a visit to Papworth Settlement for Consumptives, Cambridgeshire, yesterday. (p. 11)

Sir Gilbert Vyle, chairman of the British Preparatory Committee for the next Imperial Conference, has written to the industrial organizations in the Empire explaining what is being done in this country to collate the views of industry on the development of trade within the Empire. (p. 11)

The Electricity Committee of the Hackney Borough Council have recommended the acceptance of a British tender in connexion with the extension of a generating station. (p. 9)

The results of the Inns of Court examination held in December are announced. (p. 5)

A further report dealing with the position of silent films and the future development of talking films has been issued by the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association. (p. 12)

Sir Robert Witt, chairman of the National Art-Collections Fund, presiding last night at a lecture on "The Italian Tradition in Art," said that during 10 days there had been over 69,000 paying entrants to the Italian Art Exhibition. (p. 12)

Lord Desborough spoke on floods and schemes for their prevention at a meeting of the Thames Conservancy Board yesterday. (p. 16)

POLITICS

Contrary to rumour, the Conservative Party is not preparing for an early by-election in the Central division of Nottingham. (p. 11)

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN

The Anglo-Japanese conversations preliminary to the London Naval Conference ended yesterday, except for certain technical discussions. The British reply to the French Memorandum has been received, on the whole, favourably in France. At the same time, the view is maintained that the London Conference is merely preparatory to further progress at Geneva. The Fascist Order Paper declares that parity with France is essential for Italy. (p. 14)

Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, was sharply rebuffed by the Ministers of the six inviting Powers at The Hague yesterday, in an attempt to make the Reichsbank's participation in the International Bank dependent on the satisfaction of certain political conditions. His intervention was held to be intolerable, and the Ministers of the six Powers (including Germany) decided to ignore it and proceed with the Conference. (p. 14)

The Viceroy and Lady Irwin are expected to arrive this morning in Bombay, where they will remain until the end of the week. (p. 14)

A public attack has been made on the New Zealand Government by the chairman of the political organization of the United Party, of which Sir Joseph Ward, the Prime Minister, is leader. (p. 13)

The special delegate of the China International Famine Relief Organization reports that 2,000,000 people of a population of 6,000,000 in the famine area in central Shensi have died during the past 12 months and 2,000,000 more are, it is believed, certain to die before next June. (p. 13)

The new session of the Council of the League was opened yesterday at Geneva. (p. 13)

Mr. Dowbiggin, Inspector-General of the Ceylon Police, is leaving for Palestine on January 16 to reorganize the Palestine police force. (p. 14)

LAW

Summary of Law Cases will be found on p. 5.

SPORT

The Derby January Race Meeting was begun yesterday. (p. 6)

The draw for the fourth round of the Football Association Cup competition was made yesterday. (p. 7)

In his billiard match against J. Davis at the Holborn Billiards Hall W. Lindrum last night made a break of 1,027 (unfinished). (p. 7)

M.C.C. beat New Zealand at Christchurch yesterday by eight wickets. (p. 6)

Boat Race practice was continued at Oxford and Cambridge yesterday. (p. 6)

In a Rugby football match at Teddington, Sherborne Pilgrims beat Old Haileyburians by 29 points to 10. (p. 6)

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

In "City Notes" comment is made on :—The Midland Bank Share Issue ; a Canadian Bank's Balance-Sheet ; Reports of Discount Companies ; Pastoral Company's Poor Year ; Larger Tea Stocks ; and Insurance Deposits Abroad. (p. 20)

Money rates in Lombard-street advanced. Discount rates were firmly maintained. The New York exchange was lower at $4.86 13-16 and the Madrid rate at 36.35p. On the other hand, the Swiss and Dutch rates moved in favour of sterling. A recovery occurred in the China exchange. The German bank rate was lowered to 6½ per cent. Silver advanced 5-16d. to 21 7-16d. per oz. (p. 21)

Quiet conditions prevailed on the Stock Exchange yesterday. British Funds were firmer, while Home Railway stocks showed little change. There was support for foreign Government bonds, particularly the Brazilian group. In the Industrial market Textile shares were firmer. The Mining group was irregular. (p. 20)

A WEEK TO THE CONFERENCE

Exactly a week remains to the opening of the Five-Power Conference on the limitation and reduction of naval armaments. The publication of the British reply to the French Memorandum, MR. ALEXANDER'S statement of the Admiralty view of our cruiser needs, the conversations between the Japanese delegates and the PRIME MINISTER—all these preliminaries are reminders that little time remains for preparation. As the date approaches there is a growing public recognition both of the greatness and responsibility of the task which awaits the Conference and of the obstacles with which it is beset. PRESIDENT HOOVER did not overstate the case when, a few days ago, bidding God-speed to the American delegates, he said that "the progress of peace for the world rests in "great measure upon the shoulders of the five "delegations." The whole statement which the PRESIDENT issued on that occasion was imbued with the sense of this responsibility. Though he spoke in the tone of quiet confidence which has always characterized his references to the negotiations, he did not underrate either the difficulty or the complexity of the task of reaching an agreement satisfactory to all the Five Powers. He exhorted his countrymen not to display impatience if progress were slow, to abstain from hasty criticism, and to give the delegates every encouragement. This is advice which might everywhere be taken to heart ; but, so far as the British public is concerned, it would be easier to follow if the Government had taken the public more completely into their confidence. The FIRST LORD'S speech at Sheffield has nowhere been found very enlightening. His explanation of the reduction of the official estimate of British cruisers required from seventy to fifty raises more questions than it answers, and in any case would have been more cogent if it had been used to justify a proposal to abolish battleships. The British reply to the French Memorandum is eminently temperate and sound, but it contains no fresh evidence that the Government are going into the Conference with either a clear conception of our own naval requirements or a definite scheme for an all-round reduction based on scientific naval principles. There is a natural and widespread desire to know at least the broad lines of the Government's policy—a desire, as our correspondence columns have shown, felt not only by those who are sceptical on the subject of disarmament but by those who are really anxious to see the Conference accomplish all that MR. MACDONALD and MR. HOOVER hope from it.

Of the recent contributions to the discussion the most important has been the businesslike statement of the American objective by MR. STIMSON, the leader of the United States delegation, on the eve of his departure from Washington. The significant point in that statement is his description of the present negotiations as the natural, almost the inevitable, result of the Washington Treaty, which eight years ago put an end to the competitive building of battleships between Great Britain, the United States, France, Italy, and Japan. During those eight years there has been a holiday from battleship construction, and in consequence, as he points out, a far greater sense of security, together with a notable reduction in those international frictions which inevitably accompany competitive construction. We are now coming to the end of the holiday, and the moment, he says, seems opportune "to see if we cannot still further "delay or decrease the expenses of battleship "fleets." This, MR. STIMSON'S statement would imply, he regards as the main object of the Conference, though at the same time, he adds, the delegates will endeavour to find a mutually satisfactory arrangement for limiting the building of cruisers, destroyers, and submarines, and thus still further increase that sense of security essential to international good will. The Conference, in fact, is to be regarded as the outcome of the general naval situation, not of the British and American conversations on cruiser parity, though indeed those conversations were necessary before it could be summoned with any chance of success. The Anglo-American conversations have been followed by exchanges of views among all the participating Powers, which have at any rate cleared the ground. The delegates will enter the Conference without the risk of wandering into blind alleys, or of knocking at doors which are definitely bolted and barred. The preliminary conversations have moreover served another equally useful purpose. The frankness and friendliness with which they have been conducted have helped to generate that "fine atmosphere of international good will" to which PRESIDENT HOOVER recently paid tribute and on which he bases his hopes for the success of the negotiations.

But good will is not enough. However good it may be, it cannot take the place of constructive statesmanship ; and constructive statesmanship of the highest quality is required if the London Conference is to build an edifice worthy of the foundations laid eight years ago at Washington. In this respect—let it be repeated—a special responsibility falls upon our own Government, who took the lead in calling the Conference and issued the invitations to the other Powers. Their good will is not in doubt. It is certain that the British delegates will do all that is humanly possible in adjusting differences and smoothing out contradictions, and will go as far as they can—perhaps even farther than they ought—in modifying British views to meet the views and interests of others. But the other delegations, and still more the nations behind the delegations, will have a right to expect of them something more than this. They will be expected to have a policy of their own, not merely a disposition to accept compromises. No one will want them, or any other delegation or group of delegations, to attempt to dominate the Conference. But leadership is a different thing from domination ; and every one will look to them to supply the leadership without which the Conference can scarcely hope to negotiate the many shoals and quicksands which lie across its course. More than any other delegation, they will be expected to come to the discussion equipped with well-thought-out plans for the limitation and reduction of naval armaments, plans based on definite principles. They will be expected to have made a thorough survey of the possible lines of approach, and to guide the Conference along that which they have discovered to be the most hopeful. One line in particular seems to lie invitingly open. There has been much controversy whether limitation and reduction should be by global tonnage or by categories ; but a great and immediate step in advance can be made by limiting the size and power—and, with them, the cost—of the individual ship. MR. STIMSON describes the primary object of the Conference as being "to "see if we cannot still further delay or decrease "the expenses of battleship fleets." In the Washington Treaty the limits of size and power were fixed on the basis of existing vessels, which had grown to their mammoth dimensions in the era of unrestricted competition, when each Admiralty was naturally eager to build floating fortresses bigger and more powerful than those of its rivals. What more proper immediate task could be set the Conference, called together as it is to continue and complete the work of its Washington predecessor, than to reduce the tonnage and gun power of battleships within limits which can be defended on naval grounds as the minimum necessary for the purposes they are required to serve ? An agreement to this effect should not be difficult to secure. If reached in the early days of the Conference it might have a determining influence on all the subsequent work of the delegations. A reduction in the size of future battleships from 35,000 to, say, 15,000 tons—the latest achievement of German science is no more than 10,000 tons—would not only in itself be a striking contribution to the cause of economy, disarmament and international good will. It would lower the whole scale of naval construction and clear the way for a further advance by an agreed reduction in the size of every category.

The N.F.U.

This week will be marked by two dates of particular interest in the annals of the National Farmers' Union. To-morrow is the day appointed for the first annual general meeting of the Union to be held since it attained its majority last month, and on Friday its four chosen delegates are to attend the opening session of the joint agricultural conference convened by MR. NOEL BUXTON. During the twenty-one years of its existence the Executive of the Union has rendered great service to the farming industry, and has done its best to maintain the important position which it occupies, or ought to occupy, in the economy of the country. At first farmers as a body were characteristically deliberate and cautious in rallying to its support. But they learnt by degrees to appreciate its usefulness and joined the Union in progressively increasing numbers, so that its membership has now reached a total of 120,000. An active organization of this size is a considerable force. For good or for ill it is bound to exercise a powerful influence on the attitude and fortunes of those whom it represents. In the critical days of the War the mobilization of its resources was of great practical assistance to the authorities with whom it lay to stimulate and encourage the home production of food. The part which it played in those anxious days, as our Agricultural Correspondent suggested yesterday, was symbolical of what it was to achieve for the industry and for the country in the years following the restoration of peace. Those years, which represent just one-half of its active life, have been mainly occupied by the consideration of a long series of delicate and complex questions connected with the effort to restore to the agriculture of the nation some measure of its old-time prosperity. For the leaders of the Union they have been a time of unprecedented difficulty and frequent disappointment, and it says much for their temper and their sagacity that they have come through the ordeal as well as they have.

The tragedy of the situation is that, in spite of all the efforts that have been made, the solution of the problem of setting agriculture on its legs appears to be just as far off as ever. Never, says our Correspondent, has the financial condition of the industry been weaker than it is to-day. There are exceptions, of course, to be found where the land is good. But of the general run of arable farms that is the melancholy truth, and one Government after another seems to be incapable of suggesting anything in the way of a really effective remedy. Recently, through no fault of their own, arable farmers have had to put up with an added injury through the free import into this country of bounty-fed wheat. Only the other day MR. BUXTON, in addressing a deputation from the N.F.U., confirmed the views of the Union on the unfair effect of the system on English growers ; but he said that, because of the provisions of the Anglo-German Treaty and the unwillingness of the Government to impose any duty on foodstuffs, he was unable to take any action. The MINISTER'S *non possumus* attitude, however comprehensible and perhaps unavoidable, naturally does not please the farmers. But that is no real justification for the resolution which two members of the Union have placed on the agenda for the general meeting to-morrow. The text of their motion is that the N.F.U. give notice to HIS MAJESTY'S Government that unless, by a date to be fixed by the Council, some steps are taken to alleviate the position of the British arable farmer, particularly in view of the competition of bounty-fed cereals, all employers' representatives will be withdrawn from the District Agricultural Wages Committees throughout England and Wales. A little sober reflection should convince even the two members responsible for an ill-advised proposal that they cannot possibly expect to gain their ends by holding this sort of pistol to the head of the Government. Their resolution amounts almost to a threat of the methods of "civil disobedience." The grievance which it seeks to express is real enough. But for that very reason it is peculiarly foolish to attempt to ventilate it on the eve of an agricultural conference which is designed to take counsel together on this and other urgent problems. DR. ADDISON, as well as MR. BUXTON, agrees with the Union that the importation of bounty-fed cereals is unfair to the British producer, and the Government have shown their view by directing their representative on the Economic Committee of the League of Nations to raise the question this week at Geneva. Whether this step is likely to have the slightest practical effect is quite another matter, as an expert correspondent suggests this morning. But the subject is clearly one on which the farmers, landworkers, and landowners met together in council at the conference may be able to come to important decisions for the guidance of the Government, whereas none of the three parties stands to gain anything by preliminary threats.

In Praise of the Politician

The first instalment of a welcome new work by MR. F. S. OLIVER, which is reviewed in another column this morning, begins an account of the long public career of SIR ROBERT WALPOLE ; but MR. OLIVER asks his readers to regard it not as a work of history or of biography, but as an exemplification, based on WALPOLE'S practice, of the craft of politics, of the art of governing, of a profession which, though constantly denounced and decried, is by its very nature the highest that any man can aspire to enter. It is in fact a reasoned defence of the party politician and the rules according to which he must act, and above all a plea for his indispensability ; and it is characteristically written quite as much with an eye on the present as on the England of WALPOLE. Just so, more than twenty years ago, did the same writer's life of "Alexander Hamilton" illustrate and influence the special problems of that day. In an introduction which occupies nearly a quarter of this first volume, and covers, of course, the volumes to follow, MR. OLIVER considers the politician in the abstract and vindicates him against his depreciators. Abuse of the politician is nothing new, and up to a certain point it is inevitable at the hands of his political opponents ; but that is quite another thing from distrust in or contempt for the politician as such. Men must be governed ; there is accordingly an art of governing them, and it behoves the politician's critics to understand its principles. It is a difficult art ; it needs a long apprenticeship ; there are types of men who are constitutionally unfitted for it, and many others who by reason of their own life's work and occupations are poorly qualified for it. When, as sometimes happens, there is a general outcry against politicians, could we really entrust their work to their detractors—to the moralist, the seer, the soldier, the business man, the newspaper proprietor, the man of the world in his club ? None of these critics breathes the same spacious air or habitually fights and fraternizes with so many others as the politician. "The soil of politics," says MR. OLIVER, "is peculiarly congenial to the growth "and burgeoning of an understanding sym-"pathy with one's fellow-creatures." No one else has so comprehensive a view of his fellow men.

The politician is essentially a man of action, or he would not be in politics, slow as he may seem to be when we demand that "something "should be done," obtuse of vision as he may appear when prophets and revivalists are unfolding their dreams or common men in a panic are foretelling the instant end of everything. Call him unimaginative if you like, but allow him his faith, for no one without faith would willingly choose his rough-and-tumble path in life ; and remember that the public, if it has its ideals, has also its many idols, which it often worships blindly. The politician, being a practical man, has to get things done now, weighing this force and that, a master of accommodation ; but he must also be of a valiant courage and of an imperturbably good temper, for he may live to see his dearest projects undone and have to look for comfort only in himself. History perhaps will justify him in a remote future ; but for how many men is the verdict of history a compensation for a life of hard blows ? Perhaps one of the commonest words of abuse applied to politicians is the name of cynic. They are supposed to have a cynical disregard for their fellow men's interests. They will stick at nothing, it is said, to remain in power. This, no doubt, is an incorrect use of the word "cynic," which implies an essentially indolent character ; but apart from that it is the politician's first principle, as MR. OLIVER maintains, to keep in the saddle. By so doing he shows that he is in earnest, as all men like themselves to be thought, that he has confidence in himself, and more confidence in himself than in anyone else. That is no ground for denouncing politicians as a species. It is as sound a first principle as that of any profession, if it is not common to them all. It is true that the way in which this first principle is guarded by the politician may not be every man's way of guarding it ; but every profession or art has its own methods. Political life is a combat in a sense and to a degree in which no other is ; its rules of battle are its own.

Again, political life is conducted in a publicity in which none other is conducted ; acts which other men can afford to do in secret cannot be attempted by the politician. Other men can be generous, for instance, privately with their own ; not so the politician, who can be generous only at others' expense. It is no wonder, then, that he should fight shy of far-beckoning ideals, or incline the knee occasionally to an idol. He has a monster such as no one else has to keep contented and prosperous ; and the more the monster's character is studied the more clearly will it be perceived that many of the rules of the politician's art are at bottom not of his own but of the monster's devising. But for the monster's peculiarities such and such finesse might never be required, such and such a piece of bluntness might be unnecessary. To a large extent, however, the art of governing remains constant and the politician stands forth as a well-defined type. And that politician will be a failure if he fails to conform to the type, for under representative government he will soon be out of office if he has ever attained it, while under a less wholesome Constitution he may even have brought about a revolution. Even in that event he will have left all the more work for men of the true type to do afterwards, for after a revolution comes reaction, and with it the call for the politician as salvage man—a call which, as history has constantly shown, never goes for very long unanswered. The politician therefore emerges from MR. OLIVER'S brilliant estimate as indispensable, more a part of the very order of things than any other element in the State, and to be accepted as such by all sensible people. Not under the badge of his tribe is he assailable, but only under his party colours ; where, being the man of mettle that he is, he will not be slow to take up the challenge.

PROPAGANDA IN INDIA

PUTTING THE BRITISH CASE

GOOD CARDS UNUSED

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—An eminent Frenchman remarked that no nation was so bad at defending itself as the British. We usually, out of a misplaced pride, put up no defence, and let our case go by default. Those whose memories go back to the Boer War may remember how there was actually at one time a danger of a Continental coalition against us, founded entirely upon false information, and how it was private rather than public propaganda which eased the situation, as many foreign newspapers admitted at the time.

It is a recollection of this which makes one apprehensive lest at this most critical time our case should not be fairly stated to the various very diverse elements of Indian life. We hear of the agitation for independence, but we hear nothing of that counter-agitation which could, one would think, be so easily evoked. For example, have the Mohamedans of India been asked whether they are prepared to obey laws which are passed by a permanent majority of Hindus ? If not, why do they not say so ? Will the great native Princes of India state definitely whether they wish their lands to be isolated islands in an independent country ? Has it been explained to the Punjab that it will be left bare, without British help, to face any invasion from the north ? Have the Parsees been asked to state publicly whether they prefer the security of British rule, or the century of chaos which would follow our departure ? Have the 60,000,000 "untouchables" been asked whether they would wish to be left to the mercy of the Brahmins ? Have the agitators themselves been reminded of the lesson of the Moplah rebellion, where the local Mohamedans, the moment they broke loose, massacred, not the white people, but the Hindus ? All of these are cards in our hand, but they are no use unless we play them.

Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE.
Windlesham, Crowborough, Sussex, Jan. 10.

SYON PARK

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—With reference to the letter from Sir Lawrence Chubb, which appeared in to-day's issue of your paper, I observe that in the letter addressed to Sir Lawrence by the Duke of Northumberland on the 9th instant, which also appears in your paper, reference is made to the Middlesex County Council. As chairman of the County Council I feel it to be my duty to point out that, although the proposal to acquire Syon Park for the purposes of the treatment of sewage has been discussed by the Rivers Committee of the Council, no decision has yet been arrived at, and it has, so far, never been considered by the County Council as a whole, who have not yet been consulted with regard to the scheme. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

CHARLES PINKHAM, Chairman of the Middlesex County Council.
Chairman's Room, Guildhall, Westminster, S.W., Jan. 13.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Referring to the article on sewage disposal in Middlesex, which appeared in your issue of January 6, I desire to point out that the impressions which appear to exist in connexion with the Syon Park scheme are to a large extent erroneous, and I suggest that, until full details of the scheme are available, it is not reasonable to condemn it at this early stage, no definite decision having been arrived at even by the Rivers Committee.

The County Council and the local authorities of West Middlesex are concerned as much as anyone in the preservation of the beauty of the River Thames along their borders, and, indeed, their representatives on various Joint Town Planning Committees and other bodies are taking active steps in this direction. It is therefore absurd to suppose that any action would be taken which would interfere with the amenities of the river.

In view of the use of the expressions "sewage farm" and "sewage works" in this connexion, I desire to say that should a county scheme ultimately be given effect to, wherever the site may be, the system of treating the sewage would be the most modern one known to the engineering profession, and I am assured would not be accompanied in any way by the unpleasant conditions which are usually present at sewage works and farms. There would be no unsightly buildings or chimney shafts, and the planting of trees and shrubs would obscure the works and such buildings as may be requisite. Indeed, if necessary or desirable, it would be practicable, I understand, for the whole of the purification plant to be put underground.

I may add, with regard to the Syon Park site in particular, that it is not proposed, should the scheme be carried out there, to utilize the whole Park for the works, but less than one-half, while the remainder, including the mansion and avenue, would be left undisturbed and available as a public park. In addition it would be possible to construct a riverside walk, which would undoubtedly add to the attractions of the neighbourhood.

As the whole of the criticisms are centred on the question of a particular site for the proposed works I have not thought it necessary in any way to deal with the merits of a main drainage scheme, a very pressing matter, which, however, has the wholehearted support of a large majority of the local authorities concerned, as the result would be to enable no fewer than 27 separate sewage works and farms, with an area of about 800 acres, to be abolished.

My Rivers Committee hope to be in a position to report to the County Council on the matter at an early date, when the whole of the information available will be at the disposal of the Press, which will then be in a position to criticize the scheme upon its merits.

Yours faithfully,
MONTAGU SHARPE, Chairman,
Rivers Committee, Middlesex County Council.
Middlesex Guildhall, Westminster, S.W.1, Jan. 11.

DUMPING OF GERMAN WHEAT

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The decision of the Government to make some sort of protest at Geneva against the dumping of German (and now also of French) wheat on this country seems a very weak form of action seeing that bounties are clearly inconsistent with equality intended to be secured by the "most-favoured-nation clause" of the Treaty of Commerce of December 2, 1924. All nations having the clause in similar treaties with the United Kingdom, as well as Canada, have a right to complain, and meanwhile our stricken farmers are being ruined. See (*inter alia*) Mr. Hornbeck's book on the subject and Mr. Wickersham's Report (C.P.D.I., 97, I.), presented to the Geneva Codification Committee in April, 1927.

Yours faithfully,
January 11. QUAESTOR.

AFTER COMPLIMENTS

RODERICK MACLEOD TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES. GREETING

This, the Roman fashion, is, I submit, by far the best manner in which to begin a letter. It gives you in the first line the name of the writer and of the person to whom the letter is written, together with one word for civility. It would enable correspondents whose signature is illegible (and there are many such) to print or type their name and sign under it at the beginning of their letter. It would prevent the hunt for a signature between the end of a lady's letter and the beginning of a multitude of postscripts. It has had for centuries the high example of Royal Commissions, which are a form of letter, to follow. It will prevent the heartburning of the receiver of "yours faithfully" who thinks he is entitled to "yours sincerely" and the frequent doubts in the minds of many as to the correct way in which to precede their signature.

High Salvington, Sussex, Jan. 11.

The King will hold a Council on Monday, January 20.

THE DIARY OF MARY DREW

II.—THE POETS

TENNYSON AND BROWNING

Below are further extracts from the diaries and letters of Mary Gladstone (Mrs. Drew) (1847-1928), *the third daughter of Mr. Gladstone, selections from which, edited by Mrs. C. F. G. Masterman, are shortly to be published by Messrs. Methuen and Co.*

1876.—Hawarden, Oct. 31.— . . . At 6 came Tennyson and his son Hallam, tired and cold. Sat between the two at dinner. He snubbed me once or twice but was afterwards very amiable. He is exactly like Shakespeare to look at. The boy is nice and very light in hand and quickly interested ; worships his Father and sits adoring. Some good conv. after dinner on Dante, Homer, and Shakespeare, with quotations in a sonorous voice. Both agreed as to Dante being progressive and reaching his climax in the Paradiso.

Nov. 1.— . . . About 11.30 Tennyson read us "Harold," his last production, not yet published, a drama infinitely superior to "Queen Mary" in every respect. It lasted about 2 hours and ½, read with great vigour and power and evident enjoyment to himself : now and then he paused to praise the passage or to ask an opinion. Papa seemed sleepy and not forthcoming, Willy rather giggling, Helen fierce, Eleanor rapt, dropping her work and sitting entranced. Myself rather on pins and needles for Papa, the boy motionless, but now and then referred to by his father and having to fill in a word or passage, actually knowing it all by heart. Altogether it was a great thing to see and hear. We were forced to take no heed of such earthly things as luncheon.

Nov. 2.—He uses very vehement language in talking, and is not altogether good tempered, but certainly far more agreeable and pleasant than I expected. . . . Some of the conversation was very remarkable. This morning at breakfast, particularly, when they got on the immortality of the soul and eternal punishment. The latter T. does not in the least believe in, but Papa drove him into a corner, and he got up and broke off the talk quite suddenly. He doesn't seem much of a Christian, though I expect he is really very religious.

1878.—London, Apr. 12.— . . . Dined with Papa and off to Tennyson's, *great* fun. Ld. Acton turned up to my delight ; there was George Eliot and Miss Thackeray (oh how affected she was), Mr. Ritchie, and a group of nice Cambridgites, Prothero, Butchers, Monteagles. Mr. Tennyson read "Boadicea," a good deal of "Maud," and the "Revenge" ; the latter was perfectly Splendid. He read it in an ever-increasing rush, and shouting out the climax. Enjoyed it beyond all. Ld. Acton was really drunk with delight over his dinner, seated next to G. Eliot.

TENNYSON'S READING

1879.—London, March 22.— . . . Dined at 7 with the Tennysons. Bet[ween] Hallam and Alf. T., they both wanted to talk all the time. Afterwards came several notables and worthies and he read "Maud" aloud. It was wondrous the fire and fervour and despair he alternately put into it. More like a passionate youth than a worn-out old man. We listened transfixed and I thought, apart from the strange, wild story, how astonishing the poetry was, even the "Go not, happy day" seemed an inspired, rushing, ½-mad burst of exultation, and the lovely little tender similes and caressing words, which he read in a sort of low, loving voice, gathered quite new meaning from his manner. Came home late and tumbled into bed as tired as ——

April 5.—With the Tennysons—bet. the bard, and Lionel, with his extraordinarily bright, delicious smile. It flashes so suddenly into his odd, lank, languid, absent face. A good many amusing people came in and I was amused. Talked to pretty Mrs. Gurney, who has impaired her beauty by combing her hair in a disorderly manner over her face. Said goodbye with sorrow to them all. Hallam is a nice creature. The old fellow came to the door and was very affte. "Goodbye, dear, be happy—till I die, and afterwards." . . .

April 3.—Tennyson and Hallam came, the former very tired and faint. I offered physic. "The best physic I can have is the sight of yr. wholesome face," he growled.

AT FARINGFORD

Faringford, June 4.— . . . 20 min. crossing to Yarmouth ; increasingly nervous of what lay before us reaching a climax somehow on spying Hallam Tennyson on the pier, we had counted on the quiet drive for gathering ourselves together. About 5 miles in their open carriage ("a poet's horses" turning out very spirited) brought us to this jewel of a place. All delightful but for our terrific feeling of shyness, wh. really was overmastering. Had what Maggie [de Tabley] calls "cup tea" in a room very bleak inside, with large empty table and sofa ungracefully placed, but with big pointed windows all framed in green branches and lovely view between. Dinner was at 6.30 and went off pretty well, the evening was like 6 rolled into one ; as the fashion here is continually to move into a fresh room and begin again—altogether 4 different moves—the last sit employed in backgammon, Maggie and Mr. Tennyson. He was such a funny wayward child over the game, and when we got up for bed suddenly startled me by asking earnestly, "What colour *are* yr. eyes, I cannot make out." Upstairs looking at funny old Chinese pictures he said, "We shall all turn into pigs if we lose Christianity and God." He makes us a little hot sometimes, says near the wind things, but all in an odd, childlike way.

June 5.—Started off driving to Alum Bay thro' wondrous golden gorse, "the sun breaking thro' the earth," as he called it. Wandered along the shore at the bottom of the strange, steep, many-coloured cliffs near the Needles, and along the pier and lingered and lingered. We could not go. It was all grey and silver. Sea and sky quiet, with these wonderful silver gleams. As we were watching, a steamer passed across the silver sea, going to the "Cape." "Very pathetic that ship sailing away into the grey." In the middle of the drive he again began harping on my eyes and said they were very remarkable. I got so stupidly red and Hallam held up the rug to shield me. He said to Maggie, "Hallam has a great respect for that young woman—she has a remarkable face." Dinner came on directly we got home and went off peacefully, but at tea he and I had a shindy about England and Politics and Russia, &c. Then I played and then he read to us "The 1st quarrel" and "Bones," both splendid and equal to anything he ever wrote, to my mind. Both awfully sad, the latter is the most wonderful. They are still unpublished. He and Maggie had a terrific scene I am to hear about later. He suddenly began to stroke my nose, having discovered it was a "petit nez retroussé," and declared it meant all sorts of naughty things, and then found they were counteracted by my "strong jaw." He often says daunting things, but Mrs. Tennyson says it is a Palace of Truth.

IN THE SANCTUM

June 6.—He came down after breakfast and stood staring at my face. "Those wonderful eyes of yours. I do believe they are grey." I put all this down because I am unused to personal remarks, having an ordinary face, and it is so *very* odd. . . . At 4 in open carriage, the usual quartett, to Cotton's Wood or rather copse, when we got out and wandered, Tennyson and I, he asking me the name of every wild flower or shrub or plant we passed, in wh. exam. I came off but poorly. He read us the "Cobbler" a clever, humorous poem in Lincolnshire dialect with a pathos of its own too. Visited his sanctum to break off the topic. He wd. talk to me about things that jar, being in a theological vein. Had great difficulty as he chaffed me unmercifully and treated me like a baby.

June 7.—He now discovers my eyes to be like Carlyle's ! He likes Maggie "better and better." We [Maggie and I] cling to each other, and the moment one rises the other does ditto.

June 7.—He read us the lovely "Princess" songs. Went to his sanctum and had some alarm. *He kissed me.* Played a duet each night. He always

calls us "women." Told us that when the Queen took him all over the Mausoleum the only thing he was conscious of was the creaking of his boots.

June 8.—. . . Sat about and pottered and finally settled in a chalk pit on the side of a cliff, where I read us Browning's "Tray" and some Crimean War extracts. . . . After dinner an endless and certainly interesting discussion on what we'd be the result of belief in annihilation. He wd. commit suicide. . . . I would "eat and drink for to-morrow we die." He told us of a plan he had of writing a satire called "A suicide supper"—full of bitter humour. I am disappointed in his religion. It is purely founded on the chaos and failure of a godless world, and there is a want of reverence wh. is a shock from one who speaks of the "world's great altar stairs, that lead thro' darkness up to God."

June 10.—Set out in Garden with both T's—Hallam read Plato and broke down in the death of Socrates. T. called me a "hard little thing" for not crying too.

1880.—London, March 18.—Had luncheon with Tennysons to meet Henschel. He sang his own music to "Break, break" while Tennyson sat listening and frowning and when the end came "never a word spake he."

1881.—London, March 16.—. . . To Maggie's and with her to Tennyson's for dinner. . . . Huge party afterwards. We all sat round Mrs. Tennyson. Mr. Tennyson said, "Oh, you wild-eyed thing, I ought always to knew you with yr. great wild eyes."

1883.—[On board the] Pembroke Castle, Sept. 20.—. . . Tennyson read us "Elaine" morning and "Guinevere" evening. . . . He broke down twice and read them quite splendidly. Laura dared him to touch my hair the other day. He came up behind me and said "it was sacred for the sun was kissing it."

BROWNING AND OTHERS

1870.—London, March 23.—. . . Browning came in afterwards and made himself very agreeable, telling us all sorts of things about George Eliot. He says she has a mind capable of anything, but is easily discouraged. Mr. B. is not altogether a remarkable person to look at, and talks in a rather too self-confident way. . . .

1874.—London, March 24.—. . . After to Mr. Baring's for music. . . . Felt dreadfully tired and dons and Browning brushed my face with his beard. Some supper with Mr. Doyle (Dicky) was refreshing.

1877.—Feb. 20.—R. Browning, whom I liked less than ever. He talks everybody down with his dreadful voice, and always places his person in such disagreeable proximity with yours and puffs and blows and spits in yr. face. I tried to think of Abt Vogler but it was no use—he couldn't ever have written it.

London, Apr. 14.—. . . H[erbert] S[pencer] far more agreeable this time, tho' am still struck with his common, plain appearance. Dreams made an amusing topic, and he had odd rather far-fetched theories about blood vessels to account for want of power in controlling thought, either sleeping or waking. He has taken much morphia and finds dreams under its influence quite consecutive and sensible. He is frightfully excitable, cannot read at all at night, finds fishing the only thing that stops philosophizing, loves George Eliot, originally persuaded her to write novels, usually dislikes Browning. "Poetry," he said, "shd. diminish the friction between the minds of the writer and reader," and that he had increased it. Declared the same personed. be theoretically sceptical and practically credulous, and much more that I forget.

1878.—April 8.—. . . At 4 went to tea with Mme. Moscheles, an ancient widow of the composer's, dear old lady. Found myself in a tiny room stuffed with musical celebrities, and in the twinkling of an eye found myself on a sofa talking amicably with Geo. Eliot, and very soon listening to Henschel's glorious Handel singing. Meanwhile my neighbour, with her great strong face (a mixture of Savonarola and Dante) (in the previous year she had thought it "repulsively ugly"), impressed me deeply with the gentleness and earnestness of her manner, both in speaking and listening. There is something a little like affectation sometimes, but I don't expect it's it. Mr. Lewes was rather obtrusively enthusiastic, I thought, and is a comic sight with his long dishevelled hair.

1901.—March 14.—The days I spent with Browning at Belton, when we used to be the sole occupants of the little gallery in the chapel at morning prayers, were alas (1871) at a period when my eyes were still holden. I used to struggle over him . . . till the Ottley period, 1876-80, when, Arthur having sowed the seeds, I went Browning mad. I was only provoked by him at Belton, he talked so loud and breathed into one's face and grasped one's arm; and we all supposed he was proposing to Lady Ashburton (she was there too), at least she let it be thought so. After that he often took me in to dinner at parties in London, but I generally felt more than anything what some American had said of him, "Browning has dinnered himself away." However, somewhere about 1885, sitting next him at dinner, he talked to me about La Saisiaz, and later, dining with the Bensons at Lambeth, he talked again about his poems, and told me about Mrs. Sutherland Orr (Leighton's sister) and what an astonishing interpretation of him was her handbook.

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BOXING

A FRENCH VICTORY IN THE N.S.C. RING

It had been hoped to open the temporary club premises of the National Sporting Club in Soho-square yesterday, but that new experience for its members had to be postponed until to-morrow. In the evening, however, the Stadium Club once more was available for the opening programme of a new boxing season, and the meeting of Jim Ashley, of Bethnal Green, and Nicholas Benza, the French feather-weight, over 15 rounds, promised an interesting fight.

The promise, moreover, was fulfilled, for, although it was disappointing to discover that Ashley was so easily kept out of distance and finally boxed to a standstill, it was highly interesting to watch a Frenchman stand up in the English manner to beat an Englishman who was trying to win in the usual French, or rather, Continental, manner. For five or six rounds it was not quite clear of what mettle the Frenchman was made. His style and use of the straight left, his slipping and blocking of punches were classically correct, but his own punching lacked power. Ashley, for his part, though wild and out of distance—perhaps he was not quite so slow as he looked—carried a fairly heavy swing in either hand and a substantial dig to the body with the right. It is true that the swings rarely landed except on the shoulders or side of the head, but at least Ashley carried the fight to his opponent all the time.

Then, in the sixth round, Ashley began to pay the price of over, and mostly futile, exertion, and the Frenchman at last began to show his hand. For a few more rounds Ashley stood up and tried to mix matters when his opponent came in, but Benza now was using his left effectively as a hook and his right reached its mark repeatedly. These blows scarcely had the full quality of a knock-out, but Ashley was tired out and, from one of them, he fell forward on his face in the 11th round and was counted out. For some reason, best known to himself, one of the French seconds appealed to the fallen man to rise. Ashley, last night, was not the man who beat Pat Daly, and gave another and even more formidable Frenchman, Jean Boireau, a terrific fight at the Albert Hall, but Benza clearly is a boxer who may go far, particularly if he can add sting to his straight left.

NEW PRINCIPAL OF BEDFORD COLLEGE

Miss Geraldine Jebb, the new Principal of Bedford College for Women, will take up her appointment to-day. In the term which opens to-day will fall the 80th anniversary of the active life of Bedford College, and the anniversary will be celebrated during the year.

PERSECUTION IN RUSSIA

UPROAR AT MEETING OF PROTEST

A well-attended meeting was held at the Kingsway Hall, London, last night, to protest against the continued persecution of religion in Soviet Russia. Though the speakers were subjected to frequent and noisy interruption by a minority of Communists among the audience, a resolution was adopted calling upon all believers in God and lovers of liberty to pray and work for the religious freedom of the people of Russia.

The speakers included Prebendary Gough (the president of the Christian Protest Council, by whom the meeting had been arranged), the Rev. S. W. Hughes, the Rev. Pascoe Goard, Mrs. Alison Nairn, and Sir Arthur Yapp.

The CHAIRMAN (Sir Willoughby Dickinson) said that the task of the meeting was one of difficulty and danger to those on whose behalf they were intervening. In desiring to save their fellow-Christians in Russia they might take the very course that would expose them to further ill-treatment. It was therefore important to bear in mind that this meeting was a part of a Christian protest movement, and if they were to succeed they must be careful to shape their attitude in accordance with what they believed would be the mind of Christ. If the Soviets desired that their lofty ideals of world brotherhood should prevail, they would do better to follow Jesus Christ than to deny Him. (Cheers.) If they did not succumb to reason they would succumb to ridicule, and when the people of Russia saw the folly of their leaders the battle would be won. (Cheers.)

At the outset of the meeting the chairman had asked for a minute's silence, in remembrance of sufferers for the Faith in Russia. The silence was broken by the first of innumerable interruptions. A young man in the audience shouted: "This is war preparation against Soviet Russia," and went on to attack the organizers of the meeting. The uproar which followed was drowned in the singing of a hymn, "O God, our help in ages past," led by the organ.

Sir Willoughby Dickinson's statements from the chair were frequently challenged by his opponents. When he alluded to the hideous tyranny under which Christian worshippers were suffering under the Soviets a Communist shouted "Liar!" Amid counter-cries of indignation the chairman said that he was unwilling to have the interrupters ejected. After the disturbances had been repeatedly renewed, however, he said that there were evidently a few in the audience who wished to break up the meeting, a state of affairs which he did not propose to allow.

The vast majority of the assembly cheered warmly when PREBENDARY GOUGH, the next speaker, described the Soviet attitude as "the most monstrous persecution of humanity and of religious liberty that has ever taken place." A Communist in the gallery shouted a denial. The CHAIRMAN told him that if he had any more to say he must say it within two minutes and then withdraw. The young man in the gallery replied at some length, but the audience drowned his harangue in volleys of hand-clapping. With a few of his supporters in the gallery the young Communist was removed by the stewards, the obstructionists giving three cheers for the Soviets and trying to sing the International as they were led or carried out. Other interrupters were ejected, some quietly, but others noisily, at intervals before the meeting concluded.

BOOKMAKERS CHARGED WITH BRIBERY

POLICEMEN'S EVIDENCE

At Sheffield yesterday the case in which nine men, described as bookmakers, were accused of giving bribes to police-constables was resumed.

Three of the nine men have already been committed for trial, and the charge against a fourth was dismissed by the magistrates, but the Chief Constable of Sheffield intimated that he would continue the prosecution at the assizes.

The remaining five men appeared in Court yesterday, and the case against GEORGE HENRY PARKIN, 42, of Vickars-road, was taken first. He was charged with giving various sums of money totalling £4 to Police-constables Crooke and Maddison.

Mr. Macfarlane, prosecuting, said the evidence would show an almost continuous state of corruption from January, 1924, to August, 1929, with the exception of the year 1926. The defendant, according to the evidence, complained that he had to go on paying bribes because some police-constables were almost forcing him to do so, no doubt by threats to arrest the defendant and interfere with his betting business. According to the story revealed, 11 police-constables were regularly being bribed over a period of five years.

Police-constable Pearce said in evidence that he had received money on nine occasions.

Mr. Scorah, defending, asked that Pearce should give his present private address in order that it might appear on the depositions so that the Attorney-General might be communicated with to see whether he would issue his *fiat* against him for the evidence he had given that day.

Police-constable T. Allen, replying to Mr. Scorah, said that he admitted having taken money in about 60 cases, totalling £50 or £60 from upwards of 12 bookmakers.

Police-constables T. Allen, Coggan, and Kingswood were asked to give their private addresses after they had admitted receiving money.

Police-constable Revill, whose address was also taken, said that he would object to questions which tended to incriminate himself, and left the witness-box shortly afterwards.

Police-constable Willoughby refused to answer a question by prosecuting counsel, but the Magistrate decided that he should. After another refusal, he replied, "I don't remember." After making a similar reply to other questions he left the box.

Police-constable Allen declined to answer questions, and was advised by the Clerk to take legal advice about his position.

The hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

CHAUFFEUR CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

WILLIAM JOHN SHORT, 24, a chauffeur, of Queen's Gate-mews, Kensington, London, was charged at Clacton yesterday with the manslaughter of Ernest Claude Collins and Beatrice Robbins at Clacton on December 10. Grace Gladys Faiers, of Westgate, Bury St. Edmunds, who, with Short, was the only survivor of a motor accident on Clacton front, said that while with Robbins she met Collins and Short at Frinton on the evening of December 10 and accepted an invitation to accompany Short and Collins in Short's racing car to Clacton. They stopped at a public-house on the way and had port, and at a licensed café at Clacton, where the two men had three or four drinks and the girls port. The car, it was stated, crashed while turning off the Marine-parade into a side road and overturned on to railings. Collins was killed instantly and Robbins died after admission to hospital. The case was adjourned until next Monday.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE DISMISSED

HAROLD FRANK BAILEY, hairdresser on board the Berengaria, was discharged at Southampton Police Court yesterday at the resumed hearing of a charge of manslaughter. The proceedings arose out of a motor-cycle accident in which Stuart Roy Bailey, aged 8, brother of the defendant, received fatal injuries while riding as pillion passenger on the defendant's machine. Another pillion passenger, John Charles Poynter, aged seven, received serious leg injuries.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WALES

The Cardiff City Council yesterday decided to make a grant of £3,000 a year for the next seven years towards the building extensions fund of the National Museum of Wales. Alderman F. H. Turnbull, chairman of the Finance Committee, explained that with this grant the corporation's total cash contribution would amount to £31,000, in addition to a valuable site and an annual rate in aid of a halfpenny in the pound.

An unknown man was found last night sitting at the base of the Acton Green war memorial. He had a bullet wound in his head, and a revolver was found nearby. He was taken to Acton Hospital, where he was found to be dead.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE PIER

PAVILION DESTROYED BY FIRE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BRISTOL, JAN. 13

The pavilion on the Grand Pier at Weston-super-Mare was completely destroyed by a fire which broke out at 6.45 this evening. The outbreak was first noticed by an ex-police officer who was with another man. One of the two called the fire brigade, while the other ran on to the pier. The fire was then so small that it could have been quenched with a few buckets of water, but the water supply was cut off at the shore end, as the pier was closed for the winter. By the time the fire brigade arrived and ran out their hose, the flames had gained a firm hold on the pavilion, and, fanned by a strong breeze, they swept through it until in about a quarter of an hour it collapsed.

Thousands of people gathered on the sea front to watch the fire, which was reflected in the incoming tide. The fire brigade prevented the destruction of the pier, but the amusement booths, which surround the pavilion and contain automatic machines and stock worth several thousand pounds, were lost. The pier, which was completed in 1904, cost £250,000, and recently much money had been spent on renovating and decorating it. It is owned by the Weston Grand Pier Company. The pavilion had been fully booked for the coming season by theatrical companies and musical artists; Kubelik was to have played there on February 23. The pier and pavilion were one of the chief attractions of Weston, and the loss to the town is serious.

MOTORING OFFENCES

MAGISTRATE'S VIEW OF DRUNKENNESS

At North London Police Court yesterday RUSSELL HINE, 25, independent, of The Hook, Green-lanes, Palmers Green, was sentenced to 21 days' imprisonment in the second division for having been drunk in charge of a motor-car at Southgate-road, Islington, at midnight on Saturday. It was alleged that the prisoner's car struck a young woman named Martin, of Church-road, Islington, as she was leaving a tramcar. She was bruised. When people screamed the accused man pulled up.

In the witness-box, Hine said that he had been to a dance and had had four Basses during the evening. He had driven the car from the Cannon-street Hotel.

The MAGISTRATE (Mr. Basil Watson).—In my opinion imprisonment is the only punishment for this offence. Other magistrates think otherwise. You can appeal if you like to do so.

WILLIAM JOHN BROWN, 54, cab proprietor, was charged at London Sessions yesterday with being drunk in charge of a motor-car, and, by wanton driving, causing bodily harm to Herbert Pither.

It was stated that on October 14 Mr. and Mrs. Pither were crossing Kentish Town-road, when they were knocked down by a car driven by Brown. The car afterwards mounted the pavement and crashed into a shop window.

Brown said that he had had three bottles of light ale and a glass of port. As he approached the scene of the accident another car overtook him on the off-side and then cut in, touching his front wheel. The steering wheel was knocked from his hands and the car ran on to the pavement.

Brown was found *Guilty* on both indictments.

The DEPUTY CHAIRMAN (Mr. Wilberforce) said that the really serious part of the case was the injury inflicted on Mr. Pither, who would be permanently lame. He sentenced Brown to four months' imprisonment with hard labour for causing bodily harm and wanton driving, and 21 days, to run concurrently, for being drunk. His licence would be suspended for two years.

TSUNED SEKI, a Japanese, of Marble Arch, W., was fined £20 at Bow-street Police Court yesterday for driving his motor-car dangerously in Gerrard-street, Soho, just before midnight on November 6. He pleaded "Guilty" and said that he had had too much to drink at the time.

A police-constable said that after zigzagging along the street Seki eventually drove his car on to the footway, and a woman had to jump aside to save being knocked down. When he got out of the car Seki fell into the arms of the police-constable, and afterwards fell back against the car. He smelt strongly of drink and mumbled something unintelligible, and was arrested for being drunk while in charge of the car. At Vine-street police station, however, the police surgeon certified that he was not drunk, but strange in his manner—a condition which might be mistaken for drunkenness.

A fine of £10 was imposed at Guildford yesterday on RICHARD GEORGE MOODY, a police-constable in the Guildford Borough Police, for failing to stop while driving a motor-car when called upon to do so by a police-officer. Mr. Heber Davies, prosecuting, said that Moody was driving a car which, after passing over the York-road crossing at Guildford, knocked down Miss Mary Grimmond. After stopping momentarily the car passed on, leaving her lying in the gutter. Later the car was requested to stop by a police-constable but drove on. Miss Grimmond was still in hospital suffering from concussion and shock. Summonses for wanton and furious driving and causing bodily harm were dismissed.

ELECTRICITY TRADE DISPUTE

DEMAND FOR HIGHER WAGES

Our Labour Correspondent writes:—

The Electrical Trades Union is pressing for an increase of the wages of men employed in the electrical contracting industry in London from 1s. 10½d. to 2s. an hour. Negotiations have failed to reach a settlement and at present are in abeyance, but will probably be renewed. An official of the National Federated Electrical Association said yesterday that electrical contractors pay the highest rate of wages in the building industry, and by far the highest rate in the engineering industry.

A BELFAST MOTOR ACCIDENT

At Belfast yesterday, at an inquest on the body of Hugh Morgan, carter, of Arlington-street, Belfast, who was knocked down and killed by a motor-car driven by Mr. A. B. Babington, K.C., Attorney-General for Northern Ireland, the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death." The CORONER exonerated Mr. Babington from all blame, and said he attributed a great portion of the responsibility to the changes made by the Corporation in the roadway near the scene of the accident. Mr. Babington, in evidence, stated that it was raining and misty at the time of the accident. He put on the headlights of his car before turning off the main road, and did not see anyone in front as he entered Alexandra-gardens. The first he knew of the accident was that he felt the car passing over something. He stopped as quickly as possible, and found a man lying on the road in a serious condition. He at once took steps to get the injured man to the hospital.

CORROSIVE LIQUID THROWN BY HANDBAG THIEVES

Madeline Neal, 30, of Dunbar-road, Forest Gate, was walking along Palmerston-road last night when she was approached by a man and woman. The woman asked to be directed to a certain road. Miss Neal was about to reply when she was struck violently on the head by the man, and the woman threw some corrosive liquid in her face. Her handbag was snatched and the thieves ran away. Miss Neal was taken to a surgery, where it was found that she was not seriously injured, and after treatment she was able to go home.

CINEMA FIRE NEAR CARDIFF

Just after the beginning of the programme at the Llandaff North Cinema Theatre, near Cardiff, last evening a film caught fire. The operator immediately smothered the flames with an asbestos mat and, although smoke started issuing into the hall, there was no panic. There were very few people in the hall at the time, and when the emergency exits were thrown open they left without any sign of disorder. As a precautionary measure the fire brigade were summoned, but the flames had been extinguished before their arrival.

THE GALE—continued from page 14, column 5

Maidenhead and Cookham, at High Wycombe, Cullompton, Wellington (Somerset), Hele, and Bradninch.

Reports arriving at the headquarters of the Automobile Association yesterday showed that although good progress was being made with the removal of trees blown down by the gale, and other obstacles, several main roads were still blocked. The road between Denham and Watford had had to be closed on account of fallen trees, and traffic was being diverted through Harefield and Rickmansworth. Several other roads in the neighbourhood of Denham were blocked, but the main road to Oxford was clear. At Fairmeadow, in Kent, the London-Maidstone-Chatham road was blocked by trees, but an alternative route through Maidstone was open. Trees still blocked the main roads between Worcester and Tewkesbury, Worcester and Henley, and Worcester and Birmingham.

Late last night the Automobile Association received a report that the road at Runnymede, between Staines and Windsor, was flooded and had been closed. An alternative route was open, by way of Egham, Englefield Green, Cooper's Hill, Beaumont College, and Old Windsor.

Floods caused interruptions and delays to traffic at a number of places on the borders of North Wales. The road from Welshpool to Oswestry was under 3ft. or 4ft. of water during the day. Parts of the roads from Bangor-on-Dee to Wrexham, and from Bangor to Malpas, were submerged to a similar depth. Between Bangor and Whitchurch, and between Bangor and Overton, the roads were passable, with care, though about 1ft. of water lay over each in places. In the North of England generally a good deal of water and snow lay on the roads in places. In Scotland the roads were reported to be clear but icebound.

FIFTEEN WEEKS OF GALES

RECORD FOR THIS CENTURY

Our Weather Correspondent writes:—

The frequency and intensity of gales since the beginning of October almost certainly surpass anything experienced in the present century. Although full information is not yet available for comparison, the following statistics serve to show to some extent the exceptional character of the period under review. The dates on which gales (winds with average speed of over 38 miles an hour) were reported to have occurred somewhere in the British Isles in the official "Remarks on the Weather" are shown, together with particulars of days with extreme gusts of 70 miles an hour or over.

Gales were reported on:—

October 1-8, 10, 11, 20, 21, 23, 24, 29 (total 15 days).
November 5, 8, 10-12, 15, 16, 18-20, 22, 23, 25-28 (total, 16 days).
December 2-13, 19-26, 28-30 (total, 23 days).
January (1-13 only) 2-5, 7, 10-13 (total to date, nine days).

The following are the highest speeds recorded:—

Oct. 20.—72 m.p.h. at Scilly.
Dec. 5.—94 m.p.h. at Falmouth, 84 at Plymouth, 82 at Scilly.
Dec. 7.—110* m.p.h. at Scilly, 103 at Falmouth, 84 at Liverpool.
Dec. 8.—97 m.p.h. at Falmouth, 93 at Scilly, 80 at Calshot (near Southampton).
Dec. 9.—88 m.p.h. at Scilly, 77 at Calshot.
Dec. 29.—83 m.p.h. at Scilly, 81 at Calshot and Falmouth, 76 at Liverpool.
Jan. 2.—91 m.p.h. at Liverpool, 77 at Aldergrove (Ulster).
Jan. 11.—70 m.p.h. at Holyhead and Lympne.
Jan. 12.—77 m.p.h. at Valentia.
Jan. 13.—102 m.p.h. at Falmouth, 97 at Scilly, 86 at Cardington, and 83 at Worthy Down (near Winchester).

*This figure is slightly higher than that reported on the day after the gale, having been amended officially. It constitutes a record for England, and for the British Isles, unless a rather doubtful solitary gust of 112 m.p.h. at Quilty (Ireland) is accepted as genuine.

Official statistics give the following normal odds against a gale occurring anywhere in the British Isles on a given day in these months: October and November, 5 to 1; December and January, 4 to 1. According to these figures, the normal number of days with a gale somewhere in the British Isles would be 19 for the whole period covered in the table; the actual figure was 63. On an average, gales reach their maximum frequency in these islands towards the end of December. The slight tendency to a decrease in frequency in January which is shown in the table is therefore normal.

THE GALE AT SEA

CREWS SAVED BY LIFEBOATS

The Torbay lifeboat rescued four of the crew of the Padstow schooner Katie, and three of the crew of the French ketch Reine Des Cieux, of Parmpol, during the north-westerly gale in Torbay on Sunday. The ketch drifted derelict before the storm into the Channel, having parted with three cables.

The Cardiff steamer Forester was lost in Portland harbour during the gale late on Sunday evening. She sank an hour and a half after she went ashore on the breakwater. Her crew of six and a stowaway and three hours later they were rescued by the Weymouth lifeboat. Captain John Gregory, of Appledore, the skipper, said his vessel dragged her anchors, and, although she had full steam up and two anchors down, the wind carried her away. He steered her through two lines of battleships, but when the steering gear broke she became unmanageable, and ran broadside on on to the rocks. After the crew had got ashore a heavy sea struck the ship, which is of 78 tons, and she turned over and was swallowed up by the sea. When the crew got on the breakwater they found themselves isolated and without shelter. They made a fire of their lifebelts until the lifeboat arrived. The stowaway was injured in jumping from the ship to the shore.

HASTINGS CLIFFS CRUMBLING

Heavy seas have made serious inroads into the cliffs at Fairlight, near Hastings, and large falls are feared. A footpath at Hook Ledge has been carried away, and for 600 yards to the east from the Lovers' Seat the cliff is crumbling. Some private gardens are threatened. It is thought that the erosion is partly due to the building of new groynes at Hastings, which rob Fairlight of its shingle, which acted as a natural breakwater.

THE THAMES RISING

Lord Desborough informed the Thames Conservators at their annual meeting in London yesterday that there had been the following rises in the river since yesterday:—

Caversham, 3in.; Boulter's Lock, 4in.; Romney, 7in.; Shepperton, 7in.; Sunbury, 3in.; Molesey, 3in.; Teddington, 3in.

The flow of water yesterday was 5,500,000,000 gallons. "Of course the river will rise more, but a serious rise is not anticipated," he stated. "Unfortunately, in the gale yesterday a great many trees were blown down, but there were 300 men trying to keep the weirs clear."

INCIDENTS OF THE GALE

Early yesterday morning the War memorial at Surfleet (Lincs) was blown down and the stonework and crucifix were smashed.

Eight of the old elm trees in the Long Walk at Windsor were blown down.

About 2,000 tons of coal was lost through the sinking of 17 barges at anchor at Williams Barge Roads, Belvedere, Kent, during the gale.

A large part of the timber and cement roof of the East Medina flour mill, near Whippingham, Isle of Wight, was lifted bodily off the building and carried about 50 yards, shattering the roof of some cottages on which it fell and splitting their walls.

Frederick Childs, an engine-driver on the Southern Railway, had a remarkable escape from death during the gale on Sunday. When approaching Lewes Station he looked out of the cab of his engine and received a serious wound on his throat from a telegraph wire which had been blown down.

FLOOD PREVENTION

LORD DESBOROUGH ON THAMES SCHEMES

Lord Desborough dealt at some length with the question of Thames floods in making his annual review of the work of the Thames Conservancy Board at a meeting of the Board yesterday, over which he presided.

Last year was absolutely abnormal for the river, he said. There was a record drought and a record rainfall. From January to September the rainfall was only 10.12in., and then came the record wet three months from October to December, during which no less than 17.11in. of rain fell in the Thames catchment area. The amount of water that meant could be gauged from the fact that one inch of rain in the Thames area represented an area of water 670 miles long, 250ft. wide, and 10ft. deep. The fact stood out that, notwithstanding the drought, the Thames behaved itself very well and the supply through the Metropolitan Water Board never failed. The flow of water at Teddington Lock during the flood period of 10,500,000,000 gallons was not a record. In 1915 the flow was 11,119,000,000 gallons, and during the disastrous flood of 1894 it was over 20,000,000,000 gallons. In 1929 the highest point reached at Teddington Lock weir was 2ft. 2in. above statutory water mark; in 1915 it was 2ft. 7in., and in 1894 it was 6ft.

Some people were apt to think that floods in the Thames Valley were something new, but that was very far from the case. The Thames catchment area covered 3,812 square miles, and the fall of the river was very small, being only 1ft. 9in. per mile. Therefore the area had always been subjected to floods, and it always would be if the rain fell unceasingly, as it did last year, because the river could not possibly take the large amount of water which collected in the area. He would like to emphasize a point which was made by Mr. G. J. Symons, F.R.S., after an examination of the flooded areas in 1894. Mr. Symons referred to houses and other buildings which were then flooded and stated:—"Streets and roads and crescents, we might almost say towns, have been built upon land which the slightest inquiry would have shown was far below the flood level of 1821 and, therefore, unfit for human habitations of the usual kind."

Then, proceeded Lord Desborough, Mr. Symons went on to make the criticism which applied at the present time—namely, "That the local authorities ought to pass such plans and to undertake to sewer such roads we deny, but they have done so and untold misery is the result." If Mr. Symons came down now and saw where bungalows had been built since 1895, some of them in osier beds, he would be surprised.

BOARD WITHOUT POWERS

The Thames Conservancy Board was never created as a body to deal with floods. It was never given the powers and, still more important, was never given the money, to deal with floods. They were never given compulsory powers to take land to make channels or to deal with the flooded condition in the only way in which it was possible to deal with it. Nevertheless, they did bring out, in 1914, a comprehensive scheme for dealing with flooding in the whole of the Thames Valley and sent it to the local authorities concerned, but they would have nothing to do with it, and in those circumstances it was useless for the Board to go to Parliament for powers to carry out the scheme. That work, however, had not been wasted, as the scheme was practically going to be put into operation in connexion with the Thames and Wey schemes. A good many letters had been written by people who lived in the flooded areas, and many had been put to a good deal of inconvenience by floods, but while the Board sympathized with them they could not commend their perspicacity in building dwellings in such places.

Several suggestions had been made for dealing with the floods. One was the creation of large reservoirs—a most attractive scheme. It was suggested that these reservoirs would supply water in the summer, when it was needed, and in the winter would absorb the water which otherwise would cause flooding. If, however, the reservoirs were kept full, in order to supply water, obviously they could not take much water when the rains came. If they were allowed to get empty, then, if they got the conditions which prevailed last year, they would very soon fill and really would be of no or little advantage. Such a scheme was examined by Mr. S. Leach, then the Board's engineer, in 1877. By that scheme six reservoirs were to be made, each 3¼ square miles, and of an average depth of 15ft., at an estimated cost of £1,500,000. It was computed that they would take 1in. of rain over the Thames catchment area. In three months last year they had 17in. of rain. Even if such reservoirs could be run absolutely dry before winter, and he was informed they could not be, in the face of such rain as fell last year their effect in the prevention of floods would be very slight.

Another scheme suggested was the embankment of the river. The river in the Board's area extended for 136¼ miles. He did not know what bungalow and other property owners would say if the Board ran a high bank all along that length of river, but, apart from that objection, the proposal was absolutely impossible because of the 12 tributaries flowing into the Thames. When they got to where the tributaries gained the Thames the banking would have to be run up the tributaries and the water would be penned back in the tributaries, forming large lakes behind the embankments. Another suggestion was the formation of a new channel commencing somewhere near Wraysbury and going to Bognor. Obviously that would only benefit the lower reaches, and another difficulty was that they would have to lift the new river 120ft. or tunnel through the South Downs.

All those schemes had been carefully considered, but he thought they would come to the conclusion that the only way to deal with the Thames floods was by the improvement and enlargement of the Thames channels. It was a big job and it would be still bigger if the present proposed drainage schemes for the various tributaries were carried out. There were 12 such tributaries—six on either side of the river—and if their drainage schemes were carried out and they were going to pour their water into the Thames at a vastly greater rate and volume than now, the Thames would not be able to hold it unless a scheme very much bigger than the present Thames scheme was carried out. It was easy to talk about these schemes, but the matter was one which should be dealt with by people who knew and understood the subject and had past experience in such matters. He hoped that those who were planning new main roads would think of the danger involved in running such roads across the ordinary drainage valley of the river.

It was reported that the Ministry of Health had sanctioned the applications of the Middlesex and Surrey County Councils for consent to borrow sums of £150,000 each for the improvement of the Thames between Weybridge and Teddington.

Last year Thames lock tolls were paid in respect of 123,630 passages of skiffs, punts, &c., as against 127,774 in 1928. The number of small boats registered with the Conservancy Board was 9,468, a decrease of 236 compared with the previous year; 623 passes were issued to launches, as against 593 in 1928; and 125 houseboats and 1,072 launches were registered, against 122 and 1,023. Merchandise traffic increased from 383,021 tons in 1928 to 399,570 tons last year.

FOREIGN WINTER RESORTS

The following reports of weather in Switzerland and Austria, compiled on the spot by members of the Ski Club of Great Britain, were received last evening (temperatures are Fahrenheit):—

ADELBODEN.—Cloudy and warm; thawing.
ANDERMATT.—Perfect conditions, sun, and 1½ft. of powder snow; strong south wind; temperature rising.
AROSA.—Perfect conditions, sun, frost, 5ft. of powder snow.
CHATEAU D'OEX.—Temperature falling.
DAVOS.—Sun, thawing; north wind.
ENGLEBERG.—Rain during night; cloudy and warm; snow heavy.
GRINDELWALD.—Cloudy and warm; foehn wind; 11deg. of thaw.
LENK.—Strong foehn wind.
LENZERHEIDE.—West wind; 3ft. of snow.
LEUKERBAD.—Sun, thawing; 3ft. of snow, very slow and heavy.
MALOJA.—Sun and frost; 4ft. of powder snow.
MORGINS.—Cloudy and warm; thawing; conditions rather difficult.
MOUNT GURNIGEL.—Foehn wind, heavy thaw.
MÜRREN.—Strong foehn wind; 2½ft. of snow; conditions rather difficult.
PONTRESINA.—Strong west wind; snow wind-swept except in very sheltered places.
RIGI SCHEIDEGG.—Cloudy and cold; hard crust.
SAANENMOSER.—Foehn wind; heavy thaw.
SCHEIDEGG.—Foehn wind; snow conditions very difficult.
VILLARS.—Cloudy and warm; foehn wind; snow on the slow side.
WENGEN.—Foehn wind, overcast; snow very slow and heavy.

THE WEATHER

CLOUDY: SOME RAIN

Meteorological Office, Jan. 13

GENERAL INFERENCE FROM OBSERVATIONS AT 6 P.M.—Depressions to north and north-west of the British Isles are filling up, but a trough of relatively low pressure will cross England, accompanied by rain. In Scotland and Ireland there will be bright intervals but wintry showers.

Forecasts for To-day

LONDON, ENGLAND, S.E., E., S.W., MIDLANDS, E., W.—Wind south or south-west, moderate or fresh, veering and decreasing later; cloudy, some rain; mild, becoming colder later.

ENGLAND, N.W., N.E., MIDLANDS, N., WALES.—Wind south-west to west, mainly moderate or light; some rain, then improving; moderate temperature.

SCOTLAND, ISLE OF MAN, ORKNEYS AND SHETLANDS, IRELAND.—Wind westerly, mainly moderate or light; bright intervals, wintry showers; rather cold, frost locally at night.

FURTHER OUTLOOK.—Quieter than of late, with bright periods. Rather cold, with night frost in many districts.

SEA PASSAGES

ENGLISH CHANNEL.—Fresh south-south-west winds, veering and moderating later; cloudy, some rain; visibility moderate; sea rather rough.

IRISH SEA.—Moderate to light south-west to west winds; rain, becoming fair; visibility moderate to good; sea moderate.

FLYING PROSPECTS

AIR ROUTES (London-Paris-Brussels-Cologne-Amsterdam).—Wind south-west, 15-25 m.p.h. at surface, 35-45 m.p.h. at 2,000ft. Local rain or drizzle. Visibility mainly 2-4 miles, but below 100 yards locally over high ground.

Sun rises, 8.3 a.m.; sets, 4.16 p.m.
Moon sets, 8.12 a.m.; rises, 3.22 p.m.
Full Moon, 10.21 p.m.
Lighting-up time, 4.46 p.m.
High water at London Bridge, 12.58 a.m. and 1.23 p.m.

LONDON OBSERVATIONS

KENSINGTON PALACE, JAN. 13, 6 P.M.—Bar., 1009.0mb. (29.80in.), falling slowly; temp., 49deg.; humidity, 93 per cent.; wind, S.W., light; weather, overcast.

Sunday, 6 p.m., to Monday, 9 a.m.—Min. temp., 41deg.; rainfall, 0.6mm.

Monday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.—Max. temp., 50deg.; rainfall, nil.

Sunshine at Kew, 1.8hr.

SUNLIGHT

The sunlight (ultra-violet rays) figures for yesterday, supplied by the National Institute for Medical Research, were:—

Hampstead, 1; Kingsway, ½; Clacton, 2; Lowestoft, 4; St. Andrews, ½; Southport, 0; Torquay, ½; Ventnor, 1.

IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM

Among recent acquisitions by the Imperial War Museum is an oil painting by Sir George Clausen, R.A., entitled "Youth Mourning," which has been presented by Mr. C. N. Luxmoore. This picture, which is dated 1916-18, shows the symbolic figure of a young woman crouched in supplication before a wooden cross, and, in the background, a stretch of devastated country with flooded shell-holes.

SMALLPOX IN LONDON

Thirty fresh cases of smallpox were reported to the Metropolitan Asylums Board during the week-end; 24 on Saturday and six on Sunday. The number under treatment is now 424, including 74 from West Ham. Fourteen others are under observation, six from West Ham. The cases are all of a mild form.

HEALTH RESORTS

The following reports of weather at health resorts yesterday were received last night. The rainfall is for 24 hours up to last evening:—

Stations	Sunshine	Rainfall	Temp. Min.	Temp. Max.	Weather (Day)
	Hrs.	Min.	Deg.	Deg.	
Aberystwyth	—	1	—	51	Dull, some rain.
Bandf	4·0	—	34	42	Fair.
Bath	—	1	39	51	Dull, some rain.
B'wick-on-T	3·8	4	33	42	Fair.
Bexhill	3·5	3	40	50	Fine, rain later.
Blackpool	—	3	37	48	Dull, some rain.
Bognor Regis	0·2	1	42	49	Dull, rain later.
Bournem'th	0·7	1	42	51	Cloudy, drizzle.
Bridlington	3·1	1	37	45	Bright periods.
Brighton	1·8	1	41	49	Fine, rain later.
Buxton	—	2	—	54	Dull, drizzle.
Cheltenham	0·3	2	39	51	Dull, drizzle.

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SANDRINGHAM, JAN. 13

The Duke of York, attended by Rear-Admiral Basil Brooke, the Lord Hardinge of Penshurst, Colonel Sir Victor Mackenzie, Bt., and Major Frederick and Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh have arrived at Sandringham, and the Dowager Countess of Gosford, Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, Colonel Sir Henry Streatfeild, and the Revd. H. W. Blackburne have left.

The Portuguese Ambassador has left for Paris, where he will stay for a few days.

The Bolivian Minister and Mme. de Aramayo, who were expected to return from Paris last week, only arrived in London yesterday.

The Marchioness of Headfort is spending a few days in London before returning to Headfort, Kells.

Lady Norah Spencer-Churchill returned yesterday from Sunningdale to 45, South Audley-street, W.1.

Mary Countess of Minto will return to 48, Chelsea Park-gardens on Thursday afternoon from Sandringham.

Countess Fitzwilliam arrived in London yesterday from Wentworth-Woodhouse, and will leave again on Thursday for a cruise to the West Indies.

Viscount and Viscountess Sumner have sold 25, Gloucester-square, and their only address will now be Ibstone House, Ibstone, Bucks.

Viscount Chaplin will join Viscountess Chaplin at 9, Hill-street, Berkeley-square, on Saturday, on his return from Uppat House, Sutherland.

Viscountess Rhondda has returned to London from Madeira.

Sybil Viscountess Rhondda has sailed for Australia, where she will remain for a few months.

Lady Maud Warrender will return to 2, Holland-park to-morrow from Leasom House, Rye.

Lord Monk Bretton will return to 11, The Vale, Chelsea, to-day from Conyboro, Lewes.

Lord and Lady Doverdale will return to 10, Ennismore-gardens to-day from Westwood Park, Droitwich.

Charlotte Lady Inverolyde will return to 10, Berkeley-square towards the end of the week from Scotland.

Lady O'Hagan is now convalescent, and has returned to Ickworth Lodge, Bury St. Edmunds.

Lady Wittenham is laid up with bronchitis at Northgate Hall, 14, Avenue-road.

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin will leave Worcestershire at the end of this week for Scotland to fulfil various engagements, and will return to London on January 21.

The Hon. William and Lady Beatrice Ormsby-Gore will return to 5, Mansfield-street on Monday from Bedford.

The Hon. Charlotte Stourton has left London for Paris.

Lady Milne and Mrs. Ernest Byrnes are leaving on January 17 for the West Indies, and will be away for about six weeks.

Owing to an attack of bronchitis Lady (Ian) Hamilton was unable to return to London to-day from Aberdeenshire as expected.

Sir John and Lady Sandeman Allen returned to London yesterday from Cornwall and left immediately for Liverpool. They will return to 196, Ashley-gardens on January 21.

Lady Beauchamp, who has been staying in Paris, will return to 26, Grosvenor-place on January 16.

Major Ralph Glyn returned to London last week. The Hon. Mrs. Glyn will join him in a few days' time.

Mr. Philip de László has left for Paris, and will be absent for some weeks.

Mr. J. Page Blair has returned from Philadelphia, U.S.A., and has taken 17, Coulson-street, Chelsea, until the end of April. (Telephone, Kensington 6426.)

Miss Hood, Miss Noreen Browne, and Mr. Ulick Browne have arrived at 22, Neville-street, Onslow-gardens, and this will be their address for the present. (Telephone, Kens. 9398.)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mond have left for Egypt, where they will be making a stay of about one month.

Mrs. Barker-Hahlo and Miss Barker-Hahlo have arrived at 2, Stratford-mansions, South Molton-street, where they will be until April. (Telephone, Mayfair 1476.)

Mrs. E. L. Tillyer Blunt wishes to thank all friends for their very kind sympathy in her recent bereavement, and much regrets that she is unable to answer their letters personally.

The committee of the Pilgrims announce that no further applications for tickets for the dinner to the London Naval Conference can be entertained, the list being closed.

The all-star *matinée* performance for youth will be held at the Haymarket Theatre on Tuesday, January 21, in aid of the Winter Distress League. The programme will include a special performance of *Cox and Box*, from the Savoy Theatre, also the Houston Sisters, Miss Peggy O'Neil, Mr. Henry Ainley, and Mr. Darrell Fancourt; and Miss Gwen Ffrangçon-Davies and Mr. John Gielgud in the balcony scene from *Romeo and Juliet*.

THE NORTHCLIFFE PRIZE

The following books have been submitted by the French Femina Vie Heureuse Committee to the British Committee in London:—

"Trois parmi les Autres," by Simonne Rathel; "Marfa," by Pierre René Wolfe; "La Bête Divine," by Amélie Murat; "Le Sourire de l'Ange," by Léandre Vaillat; "Le Pont Egaré," by Pierre Véry.

From these novels the English Committee, under the presidency this year of Mrs. Robert Lynd, will select the book to receive the Northcliffe Prize, which, with the Femina Vie Heureuse Prize, will be presented by Mr. Granville Barker, at the Institut Français, in the spring.

ECCLESIASTICAL NEWS

The London meeting of Lay Churchmen will be held in the Hoare Memorial Hall, Church House, Westminster, on Saturday, January 25, at 2.15 p.m., when the subject for discussion will be "Disestablishment." Professor Beresford Pite will preside.

The annual National Welsh Festival service will be held on Thursday, February 27, in St. Paul's Cathedral, at 7 p.m. The band of the Welsh Guards will play from 6 to 7 o'clock, and will take part in the service, and there will be a choir of 200 voices. Canon Griffith Thomas, rector of Llandrindod Wells, will preach.

Prebendary Carlile, of the Church Army, is 83 to-day.

In honour of Senator Sir Charles Smith, president of the South African Sugar Association, the Council of the Sugar Foundation of the British Empire are giving a luncheon at Vintners' Hall on Wednesday, January 22. Mr. Amery, M.P., will preside.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

COLONEL SIR EDGAR BERNARD AND MISS HOBBS

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place on January 27 at 11.30 a.m., in Westminster Cathedral, between Colonel Sir Edgar Bernard, K.B.E., C.M.G. (late Egyptian Army and Sudan Government), of Villa Portella, Malta, and United Service Club, Pall-mall, and Vera, only daughter of Major-General Percy E. F. Hobbs, C.B., C.M.G., and the late Mrs. Hobbs, of Barnaboy, Farnborough, Hants. Present addresses: United Service Club and 10, Strathmore-gardens, Kensington, W.8.

CAPTAIN SIR PATRICK COGHILL, BT., AND MISS SHEPSTONE

The engagement is announced between Captain Sir Patrick Coghill, Bt., late Royal Artillery, of Glen Barrahane, Castle Townshend, Co. Cork, and Nina Shepstone, of 3, Grey Coat House, Westminster, S.W.1, elder daughter of Colonel W. S. Shepstone, late Natal Carabineers, and Mrs. Frank, and granddaughter of the late Sir Theophilus Shepstone, K.C.M.G.

MAJOR C. S. GOLDINGHAM AND MLLE. DUMUR

A marriage has been arranged, to take place at Easter in Lausanne, between Major Cecil Stuart Goldingham, Royal Marines, of Horsenden, near Princes Risborough, and Anne-Lise, elder daughter of M. Charles Victor Alexis Dumur and Mme. Dumur, of Cully, Vaud, and Avenue d'Ouchy, Lausanne.

MR. H. D. MAKGILL-CRICHTON-MAITLAND AND MISS ARMYTAGE

The engagement is announced between Henry David, only son of Commander C. Makgill-Crichton-Maitland, R.N., and Mrs. Crichton-Maitland, of Ketton Grange, Stamford, and Barbara Ellen, only daughter of Brigadier-General Sir George Armytage, Bt., C.M.G., D.S.O., and Lady Armytage, of Kirklees Park, Brighouse, and granddaughter of the late Sir Lionel Milborne-Swinnerton-Pilkington, Bt., of Chevet Park, Wakefield.

MR. J. F. GRETTON AND MISS LOEFFLER

The engagement is announced between John Frederic Gretton, only son of Colonel the Right Hon. John Gretton, P.C., M.P., and the Hon. Mrs. Gretton, of Stapleford Park, Melton Mowbray, and Margaret, eldest daughter of Captain and Mrs. H. Loeffler, of 51, Grosvenor-square, London.

MR. O. B. SMYTH AND MISS BUTLER

The engagement is announced between Mr. Owen Brice Smyth, M.C., youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Smyth, of Strandtown, Co. Down, and Miss Eileen Butler, only daughter of Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Butler, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., and Lady Butler, Crogen, Llandrillo, Merioneth.

MR. J. R. BARNES AND MISS J. L. COWAN

The engagement is announced between John Reginald, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Barnes, of Aughton, Lancashire, and Jean Lindsay, daughter of Sir Henry and Lady Cowan, of The Crow's Nest, Fairwarp, Sussex, and 215, Ashley-gardens, S.W.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER ST. JOHN PITT, R.N., AND MISS C. B. HERVEY

A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Lieutenant-Commander St. John Pitt, R.N., younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Pitt, of 69, Eaton-place, London, and The Islands, Cookham, and Constance Bethell, eldest daughter of the late William Bethell Hervey and Mrs. Hervey, of 5, North-street, Westminster.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER F. D. BINGHAM, R.N. (RETD.), AND MISS KILKELLY

The marriage arranged between Lieutenant-Commander F. D. Bingham, second son of Colonel D. Bingham, of Devizes, and Stefanie, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Kilkelly, and granddaughter of the late Stephen Taaffe, of Louth, Ireland, will shortly take place in Kenya.

MR. F. W. JOWERS AND MISS WILKINSON

The marriage arranged between Mr. Francis W. Jowers, Royal Ulster Rifles, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jowers, of Hove, and Miss Sheila Wilkinson, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, of Thana, India, will take place, at Bombay, on March 15. Sailing March 16.

DR. W. RUSSELL AND MISS TURNEY

The engagement is announced between William Russell, M.A., M.B., B.Ch., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. William Russell, of 16, University-square, Belfast, and Mary, daughter of Dr. H. G. Turney, F.R.C.P., and Mrs. Turney, of 7, Park-square West, N.W.1.

MR. P. H. MACDOWELL AND MISS MEASURES

An engagement is announced between Patrick Hopegood Macdowell, only son of Lieutenant-Colonel C. C. Macdowell, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Mrs. Macdowell, of 32, Cornwall-gardens, S.W.7, and Marjorie Grace (Biddy), only daughter of Squadron-Leader A. H. Measures, O.B.E., Royal Air Force, and Mrs. Measures, of Manston, Thanet.

MR. W. H. WYKEHAM-MUSGRAVE AND MISS E. A. SWIFT

The engagement is announced between Wenman Humfry (Kit) Wykeham-Musgrave, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Wykeham-Musgrave, of Barnsley Park, Cirencester, and Elizabeth Ada (Betty), twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Swift, of Beechwood, Eastbourne.

MR. D. WINSTANLEY AND MISS DAYRELL

A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Denzil, only son of the late Frederick Lewis Winstanley and Mrs. Winstanley, and Joan, only daughter of Colonel and Mrs. J. M. de L. Dayrell, 113, Warwick-road, S.W.5.

MARRIAGE

MR. E. R. BURGESS AND MRS. LLOYD

The marriage took place on December 18, at the English Church, Port Sudan, of Mr. E. R. Burgess, Deputy Commissioner, Port Sudan, of the Sudan Political Service, the old Oxford and 1912 Olympic oarsman, and Mrs. Hilary Marion Fitzstephen Lloyd, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel Lloyd, D.S.O., of The Connaught Rangers, of Tenby, Pembrokeshire. The Rev. S. Dallas Smith officiated.

The bride was married from the house of the Commissioner, Major Thomson, and the best man was Captain E. M. Palmer, R.N., O.B.E., the Port Officer. The British population of 160 attended at the church and the reception, which was held in the bridegroom's garden.

By permission of Colonel Davenport, the band of The West Yorkshire Regiment played. The bride and bridegroom left by car for Suakin, where the honeymoon was spent.

REQUIEM MASS

MR. T. SCANLAN

A requiem Mass was said for Mr. Thomas Scanlan yesterday morning at the Church of Our Lady of Victories, Kensington. The Rev. T. de Lusignan officiated, and among those present were:—

Mrs. Scanlan, Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Keeting, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeigh, Mr. Inge Emerson, Miss Tuskl, Miss Ivy Orde-Powlett, Mr. Edward F. Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. David Mullen, Mr. Maurice Healy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Syrett, Mr. and Mrs. Diamond, Mrs. Greamstone, Mr. A. J. Roffe (representing Mr. L. Freedman), Lady Melville, Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., Mr. M. F. Gerard (representing the Grand Knight of the Westminster Council, No. 660), Sir Arthur Worley, Father Herbert, Mr. J. M. Forbes, Mr. P. Hearn, Mrs. Hobson, Miss O'Farrell, Mrs Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dean, Miss A. O'Brien, Mrs. Prendergast, Mr. and Mrs. P. d'Albuquerque, Mr. Valentine Browne, Father Dillon Dorr's, Miss Hearn, Mr. and Mrs. Fry, Mme. Bonarde, Mr. J. W. Dulanty, Brother P. Fitzgibbon, Brother J. Gillespie, Mrs. Dearlove, Mr. D. J. Aspell, Mrs. James Gorry, Mr. Owen Ward, Mr. Paul Kelly, Mrs. H. B. Foster, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Sidney Luck, Dr. Klaber, Mr. and Mrs. G. Graham d'Arcy, Mr. Michael Smyth, Dr. J. S. Gubbins, Major Richard Rizz, Colonel P. Radcliffe (representing the Patronage Committee Society of St. Vincent du Paul), Mr. J. P. Boland, Mr. Henry R. Wittrick, Miss K. Feeney, and Miss G. Feeney.

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DINNER

THE LORD MAYOR

Yesterday, according to custom on Plow Monday, the Lord Mayor of London gave an official dinner at the Mansion House to his State household and others of the staff of the Corporation. Owing to indisposition the Lady Mayoress was unable to be present.

The guests, about 100 in number, included:—

Major A. E. Wood, Swordbearer, Mr. W. T. Boston, Macebearer, Captain Derek Masey, City Marshal, the Rev. J. H. J. Ellison (Chaplain) and Mrs. Ellison, Mrs. Smart, Mr. Silvester Richards, Mr. Lewis Beeston, Mr. Wallace Thoday, Mr. L. C. Michelmore, Mr. A. M. Nortier, Mr. T. Harvey Hull, Mr. F. J. C. Helder, Dr. A. P. Gibbons, Mr. J. Stark, Mr. E. Thompson, Lieut.-Colonel Dunlop Young, Mr. F. F. McKenzie, Mr. W. N. Earle, Mr. S. E. Longbottom, Mr. Edwin Nash, Mr. W. J. Waterlow, Mr. Smart, Mr. F. C. Read, Mr. L. A. T. Pritchard, Miss Fraser, Miss Wilkinson, Mrs. Algeress, Mr. F. A. Wecolls, Mr. T. Allchin, Mr. F. D. Jewson, Mr. H. E. Healey, Major R. J. Haworth, Mr. S. J. Crossley, Mr. T. H. Strong, Mr. H. W. Hudson, Mr. H. C. Welch, Mr. W. J. Heasley, Mr. John Gane, Mr. F. J. Craker, Mr. G. W. Bodman, Mr. Jas. O'Neill, Mr. F. J. Stevens, Mr. W. A. Crowe, Mr. A. J. Sale, Mr. B. J. Hales, Mr. Harold Harrison, Mr. C. D. Morgan, Mr. F. R. S. Smith, Mr. W. H. Noble, Mr. J. H. Greenhalgh, Mr. P. O. Pickering, Mr. H. P. Jacob, Mr. Rathff, Mr. W. A. Oakshott, Mr. G. Hume, Mr. W. J. A. Nichols, Mr. J. W. Davis, Mr. C. H. Feldon, Mr. J. H. Willett, Mr. G. Waddington, Mr. W. J. Ketley, Mr. T. H. Black, Mr. F. C. Palmer, Mr. J. R. Hayhurst, Mr. L. T. Feldon, Mr. A. Roberts, Mr. F. J. R. Formoy, Mr. H. J. Baker, Mr. H. A. Ince, Mr. C. Hyem, Mr. E. A. Sorrell, Mr. A. Young, Mr. T. D. Huggett, Mr. John Betts, Mr. G. Lowe, Mr. A. M. Mote, Mr. C. A. Howe, Mr. R. D. Tracy, and Mr. F. Lacey.

The British Imperial Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Arthur Crudge, played during dinner.

FUNERAL

SIR L. WEAVER

The funeral of Sir Lawrence Weaver took place yesterday at Highgate Cemetery, the Rev. B. C. H. Andrews officiating. The chief mourners were Lady Weaver, and Mr. Purcell and Mr. Tobias Weaver. Others present included:—

The Hon. Stafford Cripps, Mrs. Stafford Cripps, Mr. Whitfield, Viscount Leg of Farnham, Brigadier-General Tandy, Mr. Leighton, Mr. C. Moser, Mr. Edward Hudson (*Country Life*), Mr. R. J. Sykes, Mr. L. Harwood, Mr. C. Hobson, Mr. W. J. Cowan, Miss Gray, Sir Frank Newnes, Mr. A. E. Hyland (Australia House), Mr. Barnes, Major Venden Heuvel, Colonel the Hon. Osbert Vesey (representing Colonel Allhusen), Major Kirkby (representing International Proprietaries, Limited, and Harold Ritchie organizations), Captain Bennett, Mr. Morley Horder, Mr. W. Cooke, Major Maule, Mr. Taylor (*Enoch*), Mr. S. Millikin (*Daily Mail*), Mr. Russell Chapman (Advertising Association), Mr. Hart (St. Clement's Press), Mr. Cyril Davis (*Radiation*), Mr. Drake, Mr. Farrell, Sir James Cooper, Mr. J. King Stewart, Mr. W. M. Mason (representing British Commercial Gas Association), the Rev. G. H. Culbeck, Mr. Percy Best (Shoolbreds), Mr. Layton Bennett, and Mrs. Cecil Harmsworth.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

LADY BANBURY

A memorial service for Lady Banbury was held yesterday afternoon at Holy Trinity, Brompton. Prebendary Gough officiated, and Mr. Edward Slaughter sang "If with all your hearts" during the service. Among those present were:—

Lady Beatrice Banbury, Mr. John Banbury, Violet Viscountess Melville, the Hon. Lady Hill-Wood, Admiral Sir Herbert and Lady Mabel King-Hall, Lady Arthur Browne, Lady (Howard) Vincent, Colonel Sir Stuart Sankey, Sir James Grant, Sir John Marriott, Sir William Bull, Lady Evan-Smith, Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Tatton Bower, Mr. Charles R. Johns (secretary, the National Canine Defence League), Miss King Hall, Mme. de Halpert, Mrs. Alexander Hall, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dent, Mrs. Hornsby-Drake, Mr. Francis Brenton, Mr. S. Ernest Kennedy, Mrs. L. Farmer, Miss Slade, Mrs. Hesketh Goddard, Mrs. Francis Gregson, Miss Brand, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dasent, Mrs. Albert Pell, Mr. Ivo Ferguson, Mrs. Montagu, Mrs. Oliver Armstrong, Major and Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Knuthsen, Miss Newton, Mrs. Arthur Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Snow, Mr. Sidney Holland, the Rev. A. W. Roxby, Major Christie-Miller, Miss Leigh-Pemberton, Mrs. Egerton Leigh, Miss Garside, Mrs. George Wade, Miss Wade, and Miss Delia Wade.

SIR ROBERT WITT

PROPOSED PRESENTATION

Supporters of the National Art Collections Fund have resolved to present its chairman, Sir Robert Witt, with his portrait in recognition of his great services to art. The immediate occasions are the celebration last year of the 25th anniversary of the fund and its present membership of nearly 12,000.

Sir Robert Witt's services cover the entire period of the existence of the fund, of which he was one of the founders, and it is largely through his strenuous efforts on behalf of the fund and its objects that they are in such a flourishing position to-day. Apart from what he has done for the fund, all students of art are indebted to Sir Robert Witt for his famous collection of reproductions of pictures, ancient and modern, available to any responsible person for reference, known as "The Witt Library."

Subscriptions for the portrait will be received from members of the National Art Collections Fund only, and Sir Robert Witt will choose his own painter.

FOREIGN RESORTS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS)

ST. MORITZ, JAN. 9

The Cresta and Bobsleigh Clubs held a combined ball last night at the Grand Hotel for the benefit of the two famous ice runs of St. Moritz, which are expensive to maintain. Among the many people present were the Marquess of Clydesdale, the Marquess of Donegall, Lord Michelham, the Hon. J. Michelham, Prince René de Bourbon, the Hon. Benjamin Bathurst, Captain and Mrs. Cunningham Reid, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Martineau, Mr. H. Schroeder, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rootes, and Captain L. M. Boddam-Whetham.

Comtesse de Sibour has arrived at the Carlton Hotel, where Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hope are also staying, and the Hon. Mrs. Parker has arrived at Suvretta.

CAIRO, JAN. 4

The Hon. Alexander and Lady Margaret Shaw are at the Continental-Savoy, and Lord Rathdonnell is at Mena House.

Sir Ronald Storrs has left for Cyprus and Lady Storrs is now in Jerusalem.

Sir John Norton-Griffiths and Brigadier and Mrs. Howard-Vyse are at the Cataract Hotel, Aswan.

MONTREUX, JAN. 11

Snow fell on January 9 and ski conditions are good at the higher stations. Lenk is fuller than it has ever been, nearly all of the visitors being English. Captain R. P. Morgan, of the British Ski Club, is again in charge of the sports there, and among visitors at the Hotel Bellevue are Colonel Hamilton Barrie, Captain and Mrs. Cousens, Major and Mrs. Milner Gibson, Mr. L. H. Vintcent, R.N., and Mr. T. Moloney, R.N.

At the Hotel Wildstrubel, Lenk, are Lady Davidson, Sir Edward and Lady Crowe, General and Mrs. Harrison, Colonel Couchman, Colonel Johnstone, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Stevens, and Squadron-Leader Weir and family.

Zweisimmen is also very full, but the large party from Denstone College leave the Hotel Terminus to-day. Other visitors at the hotel include Sir John and Lady Campbell, Mr. A. G. Hargreaves, Dr. Platts, and Major and Mrs. Wynn.

MUSEUM PICTURES STOLEN

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MARSEILLES, JAN. 13

Three valuable works of art have been stolen from the museum at Aix-en-Provence. Two are portrait drawings by Van Dyck of the Flemish painters Van Dittenbek and Richaerts. The third is an oil painting in the manner of Ruysdael and his school.

The pictures were cut out of the frames, which were left hanging on the walls. There is only one keeper in the museum, and the thief apparently waited until he had gone into an adjoining room with a group of visitors.

PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF PIEDMONT

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

ROME, JAN. 13

The Prince and Princess of Piedmont are now on a visit to Capri in the strictest *incognito*. They arrived at the island on board a torpedo-boat.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

ESTATE OF LORD HERSCHELL

The RIGHT HON. RICHARD FARRER, second BARON HERSCHELL, of Ardington House, Wantage, Lord in Waiting to the King, who died on October 14, aged 51, left unsettled property of the gross value of £23,721, with net personalty £21,912. He left:—

£500 to his valet, Alphonse Vernet, if in his service at the time of his decease.

Mr. EDMUND SEBAG MONTEFIORE, C.B.E., of Portland-place, W., and of Angel-court, E.C., stockbroker, of Messrs. Joseph Sebag and Co., treasurer of the League of British Jews, who died on November 28, aged 60, left estate in his own disposition of the gross value of £108,207, with net personalty £96,304. He left:—

£1,000 to his partners for distribution in their discretion among the employees of the business in the service thereof at his decease if of three years' service and not under notice; and £100 to his butler, Frank Reeve; and he stated that he did not make any gifts by his will to charitable institutions or other charitable objects "as I consider I have given amply to such objects during my lifetime."

BRIGADIER-GENERAL GORDON LORN CAMPBELL MONEY, C.B., D.S.O., of Arlington-road, Eastbourne, died on November 16, aged 81, leaving unsettled property of the gross value of £15,732, with net personalty £15,479.

Mrs. JESSIE HENDRIE SMITH, of Shalimar, Ayr, and formerly of Nagasaki, Japan, who died on June 15, widow of John Carrick Smith, of Nagasaki, left personal estate in her own disposition valued at £100,041, of which the personal estate in Great Britain amounts to £88,370. She left:—

£500 each to the Ayr County Hospital and the Leper Hospital, Kumamoto, Japan; £100 each to the Ayrshire Mission to the Deaf and Dumb, the Ayrshire Branch of the Mission to the Outdoor Blind, and the Ayr Branch of the Scottish National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; and £50 to the Ayrshire Branch of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Mr. CHARLES HAYWOOD HAYWOOD-FARMER, of Bracebridge-road, Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, died on September 25, aged 57, leaving estate of the value of £60,755, with net personalty £60,549. He left:—

£100 to the Sutton Coldfield Cottage Hospital; £50 to the vicar and churchwardens of All Saints, Four Oaks; £250 to Alfred L. Folland, for loyal and faithful service to Williams and Farmer; and £50 to Fred Whitmore, if still in his service.

Mrs. KATHARINE MASKEW, of Clarence House, West Hill-road, Bournemouth, who died on November 24, widow of Frederick Maskew, late of Hordle, Hants, left estate of the gross value of £42,692, with net personalty £42,528. She left:—

£200 to Marcella Breach, nurse; and £200 to Beatrice Master, of Gittisham, near Honiton, Devon.

Miss CAROLINE LAURA SPENCER, of Earls-avenue, Folkestone, who died on November 15, left estate of the gross value of £14,135, with net personalty £13,855. She left:—

£100 each to the Royal School for Daughters of Officers of the Army, Lansdowne, Bath; the Royal Cambridge Asylum for Soldiers' Widows, Kingston-on-Thames, the Soldiers' Daughters' Home, Hampstead, and the Army Scripture Readers and Soldiers Friend Society, 21, Catherine-street, W.C., saying that she directed her executors "to expressly state when paying the four Army charities that I have given them in memory of my dear father and mother, General the Hon. Sir Augustus Almeric Spencer, G.C.B., and Helen Maria, the Hon. Lady Spencer"; and £100 to St. Luke's Hospital, Hereford-road, W.2.

Mr. CHARLES JOHN WOODROFFE, of Victoria-street, Liverpool, and of Mere Bank, The Promenade, Egremont, a director of Messrs. Thomas Key and Co., Limited, boot factors, and a director of Liverpool City Caterers, Limited, who died on November 15, aged 79, left estate of the gross value of £19,994, with net personalty £10,784. He left:—

£100 to the Victoria Central Hospital, Wallasey; and £50 each, free of duty, to Samuel Williams and A. Maud Harrocks, if respectively in the employ of Thomas Key and Co., Limited, at the time of his decease.

Miss HELEN AGNES BLAYDES, of Goldsmid-road, Brighton, who died on October 31, left £13,339, with net personalty £12,746. Subject to a life interest she gives:—

£500 to Edith West, in her employ; £100 to Eleanor East, if still in her service; £100 to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel; and £50 each to the United Mission to Central Africa and the Church Army.

Other latest wills include the following:—

	Gross value
ALLAN, Mr. Ebenezer James Mozart, of Overdale-street, Langside, Glasgow, music publisher, carrying on business at Carlton-place, Glasgow, under the name of Mozart Allan (personal estate)	£6,375
BOARDLEY, Mr. Henry Robert, J.P. (60), of Sunnyhill, The Avenue, Lowestoft, head of the firm of H. R. Boardley and Sons, coach owners (net personalty £9,049)	13,091
CORNFORD, Mr. Charles Edward (66), of Waveney, Sandown, Isle of Wight, solicitor (net personalty £17,554)	20,396
DAVIES, Mr. Richard, of Glenville, Clough-road, Rotherham (net personalty £8,730)	8,816
DEVENPORT, Mr. Frank Alfred (70), of Ardmore, Marine-drive, Rhyl (net personalty £4,922)	4,548
EDGE, Mr. William Bruce, of Annesley Woodhouse, Notts (net personalty £4,948)	4,988
EVANS, Dr. Simon Griffith (51), of Bodowen, Nevin, Carnarvon, formerly in practice at Birkenhead (net personalty £566)	1,373
GIBBES, Mrs. Minnie (usually known as Minnie, Lady Miles), of West Cromwell-road, Kensington, W. (net personalty £10,882)	11,030
GRANT, Mrs. Annie (or Anne) Forsyth, of Northumberland-street, Edinburgh, widow of G. J. F. Grant, advocate (personal estate)	8,352
HART, Mr. Frederick George, of Ann-street, Edinburgh, agent of the Haymarket branch of the National Bank of Scotland, Limited, Edinburgh (personal estate)	8,367
HENDERSON, Mr. Allen (53), of Melville-street, Edinburgh, Consul at Malaga, Spain (personal estate)	6,566
LISTER, Mrs. Harriett (79), of Pampisford House, Pampisford-road, South Croydon, widow of G. Lister (net personalty £4,870)	5,134
MCCORMICK, Mr. Edward Asbury Parker (53), of Wellesley-road, Wallasey (net personalty £4,474)	4,931
MCCOWEN, Mr. Robert (69), of Barton House, Wroxham, Norfolk (net personalty £25,119)	28,471
ROYLE, Mrs. Constance Marion, of Glenmoor, Glencathara-road, Bognor, widow of T. E. Royle (net personalty £3,770)	4,362
TOVEY, Mr. George Humphrey (47), of Formosa, Alteryn-avenue, Newport, Mon., partner in the firm of Messrs. Tovey Bros., undertakers and motor proprietors, of Newport (net personalty £11,392)	16,015

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY

Northern Ireland Parliament reassembles.

Lord Grey of Falloden presides at annual meeting of Liberal Council, Hotel Metropole, 3.

Ministry of Transport: Conference on street accidents in London traffic area, Institution of Civil Engineers, 11.

Islington Clerical Conference, Church House, Westminster, 10.45.

Universal Cookery and Food Exhibition, Olympia, 12.

Royal Horticultural Society's show, 1.

National Gas Council of Great Britain and Ireland: Luncheon, Savoy Hotel, 1.

Royal Empire Society: Luncheon, Mr. C. A. McCurdy on "Trade Within the Empire," Cannon-street Hotel, 1.

City of London Tradesmen's Club: The Lord Mayor at annual dinner, Hotel Victoria, 7.

Imperial Industries Club: Sir George Wyatt Truscott presides at New Year's dinner, May Fair Hotel, 7.30.

Federation of Master Printers and Allied Trades of Great Britain and Ireland: Quarterly Council meeting and luncheon, Mansion House, 1.30.

King Edward's School: Old Boys' dinner, the School, 7.30.

Institute of the Motor Trade: Dinner, Sir Charles Higham on "Advertising by the Retailer," Holborn Restaurant, 8.15.

Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain: Professor P. A. W. Self delivers Harrison Memorial Lecture on "Research," 8.30.

Miss Susan Lawrence, M.P., on "Women and Peace," Friends' House, Euston-road, N.W.1, 1.30 to 2.

1913 Club: Sir Trenham Lever on "The Conservative Party and the Youth of the Nation," 7.

British Institute of Philosophical Studies: Dr. L. P. Jacks on "The Philosophy of Adult Education," Lord Grey of Falloden presiding, Royal Society of Arts, 8.15.

Chartered Institute of Secretaries: Mr. A. Andrewes-Uthwatt on "The New Table A in the Companies Act, 1929," 5.30.

Institution of Civil Engineers: Mr. A. R. L. Chorlton on "Railway Traction by Oil Engines," 6.

Musical Association: Mr. Francis Toye on "Verdi and his Operas," Central Hall, 5.

Institute of Marine Engineers: Engineer Rear-Admiral W. M. Whayman on "Water Tube Boilers for Merchant Ships," 6.30.

Fabian Society: Miss Carol Morrison addresses women's group on "Women and the Law: Property, Income, and Inheritance," Caxton Hall, 8.

Jewish Historical Society of England: Dr. Cecil Roth on "The Marranos," City Literary Institute, 7.30.

Mineralogical Society: Meeting, 5.30.

Viking Society for Northern Research: Meeting, 5.30.

Society for the Study of Inebriety: Dr. William Brown opens discussion on "The Role of Psychotherapy in the Prevention and Treatment of Alcoholism and other Drug Addictions," 11, Chandos-street, Cavendish-square, 4.

Gresham College: Mr. Percival Gaskell on "Character and Origin of the Venetian School of Painting," 7.30; Mr. A. R. Hinks on "Astronomy," 6.

Tower of London: Mr. Allen Walker on "The Tower in the Middle Ages," 11.

Mothercraft Training Society (branch clinic): Mr. C. H. Collins Baker lectures on the Italian Exhibition, 25, Park-lane (by permission of Sir Philip Sassoon), 5.30.

Marriages: Mr. Henderson and Miss

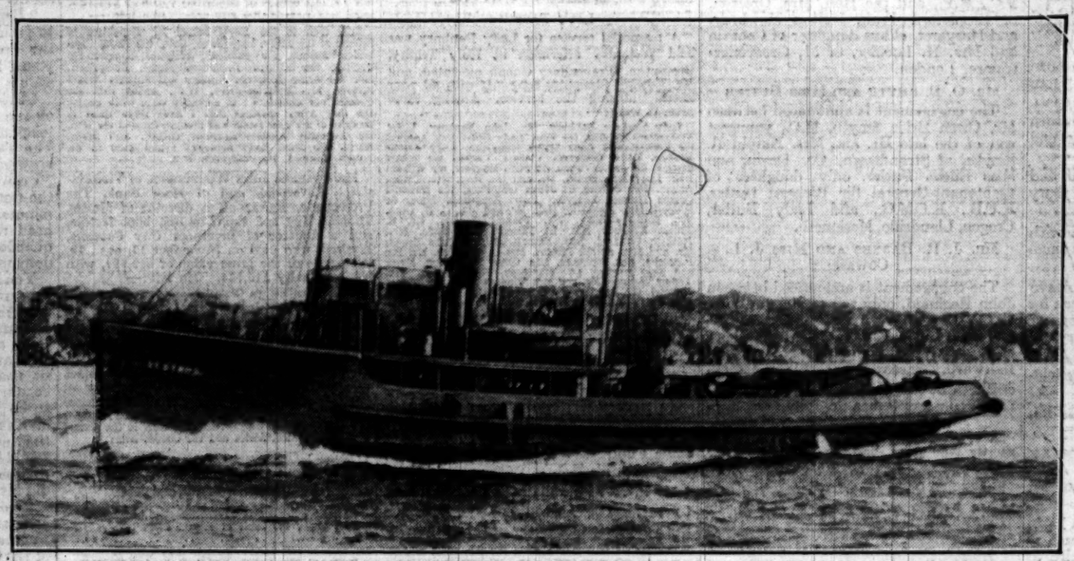
THE WIDESPREAD HAVOC OF THE GALE IN THE SOUTH

COLLAPSE OF A HOUSE.—An instance of the damage caused by the severe gale on Sunday night. The occupants of a house in Palmerston-road, Walthamstow, one side of which collapsed, are seen searching for their possessions among the débris.

AMBULANCE DRIVER'S ESCAPE.—Many trees were blown down by the gale near Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, and an ambulance driver had a narrow escape when one fell across the radiator as he was driving to Leighton Buzzard. Soon afterwards a man was killed by a falling bough 20 yards from the ambulance, which is seen imprisoned between two trees.

TWO KILLED BY FALLING ROOF.—A man and his wife were killed in their bed when the roof of their house in Bowdreys-lane, High Wycombe, fell in on them. A photograph of the wrecked house.

THE GALE IN DEVON.—The West Country suffered severely from the gale. Damaged bungalows at Kingsteignton, Newton Abbot, Devon.



A DISASTER IN THE CHANNEL.—Three officers and 20 men of the Royal Navy lost their lives when H.M. tug Saint Genny, of the Fleet Target Service, attached to the Atlantic Fleet, sank in a severe gale off Ushant on Sunday evening. A photograph of the Saint Cyrus, a sister tug, which was with the Saint Genny.

DAMAGE BY FALLING TREES.—Many telephone wires were broken down during the gale. Our photograph shows the damage done by a falling tree in Seven Sisters-road, Finsbury Park.

ON THE BRIGHTON ROAD.—Trees being removed from the London-Brighton road between Crawley and Handcross yesterday morning. During the night six trees fell across the road within less than a mile, and motorists were delayed for several hours until the road was partly cleared.

DR. JAMES'S POWDER.—A trade card of the famous specific recently referred to in our correspondence columns. The photograph is reproduced from "London Tradesmen's Cards of the Eighteenth Century" (Batsford, 1925), by Mr. Ambrose Heal.

FOR THE NAVAL CONFERENCE.—The Hon. J. E. Fenton (Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth Government), the Australian delegate to the London Naval Conference (left), photographed with Lord Passfield on his arrival at Victoria Station yesterday.

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Obituary

DR. DE FERRANTI

A PIONEER OF ELECTRIC SUPPLY

To Dr. de Ferranti, who died yesterday at Zurich at the age of 65, is due, more than to any other person, the credit of establishing the standard practice under which electric supply is now universally conducted.

Sebastian Ziani de Ferranti was born at Liverpool on April 9, 1864. His interest in engineering showed itself at a tender age, and it is related that as a child he was fond of escaping from his nurse to watch the railway engines at Lime-street station. He was only about 11 years old when he produced a little electric arc light by the aid of a bichromate battery, and later, in 1878, when he was at St. Augustine's College, Ramsgate, he began to build a dynamo. Pocket money was scanty and progress slow, but ultimately the machine was made and worked. He had little of the formal technical education that is supposed to be essential to the successful engineer, and his knowledge was derived chiefly from Pepper's "Playbook of Science," and Ganot's "Physics." For a time he studied at University College, Gower-street, under Professor Carey Foster and Sir Oliver Lodge, but he found himself in an environment more congenial than the lecture room to his instincts for doing things when in 1881 he managed to obtain a position in the electrical works of Messrs. Siemens Brothers, at Charlton. At this period he was associated with Sir William Siemens in experiments with the electric steel furnace, and a device he used to keep the molten metal in motion (passing current through a coil wound round the furnace), led him a few years later to the invention of his mercury electricity meter. In his work with the electric furnace he produced metallic tungsten, and he might have been brought to the tungsten electric lamp but for the view, generally accepted at that time, that carbon was the most suitable material for the filaments of glow lamps.

In 1882 de Ferranti invented an alternator having its armature constructed with an open zigzag winding of bare copper, but his direct connexion with the business of electric supply began in 1886. Three years before that date the late Lord Crawford and Sir Coutts Lindsay had decided to adopt electric lighting at the Grosvenor Gallery in Bond-street, and had put down a small plant which they soon had to enlarge in order to supply some of their neighbours. Distribution was effected by Gaulard and Gibbs transformers on the series system, but difficulties were found in working them, and in 1886 de Ferranti's help was enlisted. By installing two 750 h.p. generators working at a pressure of 2,500 volts and arranging his transformers in parallel he effected a great improvement, and by means of five overhead circuits was able to provide a fairly satisfactory supply to an area extending from Lincoln's Inn-fields to Albert-gate and from Regent's Park to Charing Cross.

He realized, however, that Bond-street was not a suitable place for a large power station, and he conceived the idea of generating his current at a distant site, where conditions were more favourable, and transmitting it to the area in which it was to be used. The site he selected was at Deptford, seven or eight miles away, and there he planned a great power station with machinery of over 40,000 h.p., which was to supply an area stretching from the City in the east to Chelsea in the west and Hampstead in the north. This ambitious scheme was wrecked by the parochialism of the Electric Lighting Act of 1888, and the area allotted to the London Electric Supply Corporation, which had grown out of the Grosvenor Gallery station, was so much curtailed that there was no need for the four 10,000 h.p. sets he proposed. In consequence, though partly erected, they were abandoned, and two 1,500 h.p. sets were sufficient for the Deptford station when it started early in 1890.

Though his scale of operations was reduced, de Ferranti had still to face a variety of problems in the solution of which, with no previous experience to guide him, he made electrical history. He saw that for economical transmission he would have to employ a high pressure, and he chose 10,000 volts as a good round figure. That may seem trivial compared with the 132,000 volts adopted as standard by the Central Electricity Board little more than a generation afterwards, but at the time it was unprecedented and in some quarters its use was condemned, or even resented, as a rash and unjustifiable experiment. It involved him in the task of building a transformer that would change the 2,300 volts of his generators to 10,000 volts; of this machine he remarked to an American audience: "Curiously enough, it worked; I very seldom found that anything which I thought of worked when I expected it to"—a statement which seems to err on the side of modesty if the Deptford scheme can be taken as a criterion. The difficulties under which he had to carry out the design are illustrated by the fact that there were no instruments in existence which could measure so high a pressure, and he had to fall back on the makeshift of joining a hundred 100-volt lamps in series, the transformer being judged to be giving the required 10,000 volts when these lamps glowed with normal brightness.

Another problem was to get cables that would carry the high-pressure current. Those made according to the best practice of the day were continually breaking down; once only one was left between Deptford and London and that capable of standing only half the full pressure. On one occasion, in order to get some supply through to London, the desperate expedient was adopted of returning the current by earth; the consequence was that the Post Office and railway telegraphs were disordered, and the meteorologists reported a magnetic storm of extraordinary violence. In these circumstances de Ferranti was obliged to design and make cables for himself. He employed concentric tubes of copper separated by brown paper impregnated with ozokerite wax, and as they were in lengths of 20ft. over 7,000 joints were required in the 28 miles laid. The cables happened to be contrary to the Board of Trade regulations, but they proved quite satisfactory, and some of them were still in use 35 years after they had been put in place.

In 1892 de Ferranti gave up his position as engineer to the London Electric Supply Corporation and devoted himself to electrical manufacture. In their earlier days his works, which were finally established at Hollinwood, in Lancashire, made the whole range of plant required for electric lighting, including engines, but later they specialized and concentrated their attention on transformers and measuring instruments.

In 1910 and 1911 he served as president of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, and in an inaugural address which has become almost classical foreshadowed an all-electric régime under which the whole of the coal used for heat and power would be converted into electricity in a comparatively small number of great generating stations (he mentioned 100, each containing ten 25,000 kilowatt generators), and all our needs in the way of light, power, heat, and chemical action would be met by current distributed from them all over the country. This was a remarkable anticipation of the principles incorporated in the Electricity Act of 1926, but we have made little progress towards the realization of another possibility he suggested, that of acquiring knowledge that will enable us largely to control by electrical means the sunshine which reaches us, and, in a climate which usually has ample moisture in the atmosphere, to produce rainfall when and where we require it.

De Ferranti was awarded the Faraday medal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers in 1924, and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1927. The University of Manchester gave him the honorary degree of D.Sc. in 1911.

CANON MORLEY STEVENSON

The Rev. Morley Stevenson, Canon Residentiary of Liverpool Cathedral, who was widely known as the former principal of Warrington Training College for 40 years, died yesterday in his 79th year.

The eldest son of Mr. Joseph Stevenson, of Brighton, he went up to Oxford as a non-collegiate student, took his degree in 1875, and was ordained to the curacy of Cowley, Oxon. In 1879 he was appointed chaplain of Bishop Otter Memorial College, Chichester, but a year later he went to Warrington as principal of the Clergy Daughters' School. Three years afterwards he was appointed principal of Warrington Training College. Under him the college gained a very high reputation, and his work and influence in the training of women for the teaching profession earned for him many striking tributes from leading educationists. His sermons were noted for their simple beauty and their strong, plain English. He was the author of several books on theological and devotional subjects, among them being works on the spiritual teaching of the Holy Grail, of "In Memoriam," and of Longfellow's poems. He was joint editor of "The Prayer-book Dictionary" and of "The Bible for Schools." In 1923, when he retired and was made Canon Residentiary, having before been Hon. Canon for many years, he was presented by past and present teachers and students of the Warrington Training College with a cheque, and his portrait in oils was presented to the college council.

MR. HENRY ALABASTER

Mr. Henry Alabaster died at Sanderstead, Surrey, yesterday, from bronchitis, at the age of 83.

Early in 1874 he became interested in the *Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review*, which had been started in November, 1872, and his connexion with the paper was continuous until the end. He was for many years a partner with the late Mr. T. E. Gatehouse and with Mr. H. R. Kempe in the firm of H. Alabaster, Gatehouse and Co., and on the formation of the business into a limited company (the *Electrical Review*, Limited, in 1919) he became chairman and managing director. He held this office until the autumn of last year, when he resigned owing to advancing years, but continued as director until the end. During his 56 years' connexion with the electrical profession and industry, he was interested in most of the movements affecting them. He became an Associate of the Institution of Electrical Engineers in 1887, and was one of the founders with Mr. T. E. Gatehouse and Mr. A. Izard of the Electro-Harmonic Society, and an early member of the Dynamicables. He presided in 1901 at the meeting of the electrical contractors held at Anderton's Hotel, at which the Contractors' Association was formed.

MR. A. D. CURWEN

Mr. Alan Delancy Curwen, of Workington Hall and Belle Isle, Windermere, died recently in a nursing home after an operation at the age of 60. The son of Henry Fraser Curwen, the first Mayor of Workington, 1888-90, he was born in 1869, and was educated at Charterhouse and Corpus Christi College, Oxford. He was a fine all-round sportsman, and before the War he owned probably the finest pack of foxhounds in Cumberland; he was also a good linguist, speaking French, Italian, and German fluently, and was an accomplished classical scholar. The family seat, Workington Hall, which he inherited in 1900, was built in the 13th century, and contains many examples of old masters, but he usually resided at The Island House, Windermere.

Mr. Curwen came of an old family seated at Workington in the reign of Henry VI.; Sir Henry Curwen afforded a refuge in his mansion to Mary Queen of Scots in her flight from Scotland in 1568. His wife, a daughter of the late Sir Wilfred Lawson, died in 1918. He is survived by his son, Mr. Eldred Curwen, who is at present abroad, and his daughter, Mrs. F. S. Chance, of Home Acres, Carlisle.

MR. O. W. HARTLEY

Mr. Osborne William Hartley, J.P., who for the past 50 years had been a journalist and newspaper proprietor in the Greenwich and Deptford districts, where he had represented *The Times* for the same period, died on Sunday in St. John's Hospital, Lewisham, at the age of 67. For 10 years Mr. Hartley was a member of the Deptford Borough Council. During his chairmanship of the Hospitals' Welfare Society for Greenwich and Deptford nearly £40,000 was collected and distributed among local institutions. On his retirement from the position in November last the president, Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, sent her personal expression of gratitude to him, and he received a presentation from the members, by whom he was elected a vice-president.

CANON C. H. DICKINSON

Canon Charles Henry Dickinson died at Bristol on Friday night, after a seizure. He graduated from Keble College in 1893, and went on to Wells Theological College. After holding several curacies he became vicar of All Saints with All Hallows, Bristol, in 1905, and from 1916 to 1927 he was vicar of All Saints. He was chaplain to the Bishop of Bristol from 1914 to 1917, and examining chaplain from then until 1927. In 1921 he became Archdeacon of Bristol, but in 1927 he was compelled through a breakdown in health to resign this position as well as his benefice. Since then he has been an hon. canon of the Cathedral. Canon Dickinson served for many years on the Bristol Education Committee and was very active in war work.

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TORQUAY

SIR THOMAS MATTHEWS

A LIFE-LONG SERVANT OF TRINITY HOUSE

Sir Thomas Matthews, who died yesterday at Torquay, at the age of 80, was throughout his career in the service of Trinity House, for which he devised a number of valuable inventions and improvements.

Born on August 28, 1849, the son of Mr. John Matthews, of Penzance, he was educated privately and became an assistant in the Engineer's Department of Trinity House in 1873, and was promoted to Engineer-in-Chief in 1892. In 1881 he was chosen to report on a proposed lighthouse in the island of Minicoy, in the Indian Ocean. During his service he designed and erected new lighthouses at Spurn, East Usk, Withernsea, Blackmore, Lundy North, Lundy South, St. Mary, Foreland, Pendeen, Dungeness High and Low, Beachy Head, Portland Bill, Berry Head, Strumble Head, and Cape Pembroke in the Falkland Islands, and carried out other works. He was adviser to the Crown Agents for the Colonies and the India Office on lighthouse matters. For the Trinity House he designed and improved the lighted gas buoy and beacon systems, and designed an incandescent oil-burner for service in lighthouses, instead of the concentric oil-burner previously installed, by the use of which the intensity of the lights was improved and the consumption of oil much lessened. He also introduced several improvements in coast signals, and devised a manual fog signal for use on board light-vessels in lieu of the gongs formerly employed. For other improvements in coast lights and fog signals he devised apparatus, and assisted the Trinity House in carrying out several series of experiments.

Sir Thomas Matthews, who was knighted in 1909, was a member of the Council of the Institution of Civil Engineers. He married, in 1875, Frances, daughter of the late Mr. H. Blackwell, and had three sons and two daughters.

SIR LAWRENCE WEAVER

Lady (Austen) Chamberlain writes:—

May I supplement the references that have been paid to Sir Lawrence Weaver's work in the cause of charity?

As honorary treasurer of the Housing Association for Officers' Families he, with the late Mrs. Willie James, did more than anyone else to create and carry on this fine organization, whereby nearly 200 officers' widows and married disabled officers have charming houses and flats at very low nominal rentals, and almost as many more are given financial help with housing every year. The business and constructive side was his work. He drew up the form of constitution. He personally found suitable buildings and sites and negotiated their purchase. He supervised every detail of the plans. He fought the authorities and the trade in the years when restrictions and shortage of labour and materials made building a task of infinite difficulty. Even after the association was firmly established he was always studying to consolidate and extend it, and at the time of his death he was engaged on a scheme for large further developments. He founded Ashtead Potters, a society for the training and employment of disabled ex-Service men, whose products, all bearing the impress of his discriminating taste, are increasingly sought after. A large part of his week-ends was spent at the pottery toiling to make it a success. He was also a trustee of the Douglas Haig Memorial Homes. A glowing tribute to his work in this capacity has already appeared in your columns. The invitation to serve on this trust came at a time when he was overwhelmed with work. He yielded to pressure, backed by a personal request from the Prince of Wales, and added this big responsibility to his many others.

Into all these Sir Lawrence Weaver threw himself heart and soul. With his business acumen he combined the enthusiasm and faith of an artist. A masterful chairman of committee, he was never autocratic, and when he gained his way, as usually happened, it was because his reasons were recognized as better. Generous to a degree, he never turned a deaf ear to any genuine appeal. On the other hand, he had a quick eye for the weakness of a case, and few undeserving applicants got past his vigilance. Few men could have done what he did, even with ample leisure, of which he never allowed himself any. His great work in these connexions is in part, alas, unfinished. He laid the foundations firmly and truly, but his loss will be felt more and more.

Mr. Clough Williams-Ellis writes:—

There are many reasons besides those of lifelong friendship and admiration that impel me to add my tribute to the memory of Sir Lawrence Weaver. Like so many architects, I know how much I owe to the appreciation, or always helpful criticism, of my earlier efforts from his versatile pen, and it is probable that no one has done more for the cause of good domestic architecture and civilized building development than he, through his speech and his writings.

It is only seven days ago that we were lunching together to discuss a project for the financing of national parks, when I got from him exactly the shrewd and ingenious suggestions that I had hoped for. On Thursday I attended a meeting of the committee of the Architecture Club, of which he was president, where we had hoped to have unfolded a new project of his for further usefulness, only to learn that he was not well enough to attend. Indeed, I, like unnumbered others, will find myself not only saddened, but handicapped by his going in every kind of project or enterprise for the betterment of the arts, the crafts, and the conditions of the people. Almost alone he founded and has devotedly sustained the Ashtead Potteries, now so honourably known for their beautiful products, entirely the work of disabled ex-Service men. In that enterprise I had the privilege of being associated with him, as also in the Design and Industries Association, where I succeeded him as president. What the arts and industries in England may owe to that association is but the measure of what it owes to Sir Lawrence Weaver.

Having travelled and made holiday with him, both at home and abroad, I can speak of him also as the good companion, the shrewd and witty observer of men and things, with a warm-hearted sympathy for whatever was valiant and decent, and an ever-youthful enthusiasm for things new and adventurous, so long as they seemed relevant to the advance of civilization. Much as our interests coincided or overlapped, his activities reached in many other directions beyond my ken, or, at any rate, beyond my intimate knowledge; yet I can think of no one whose going must leave so many tragic gaps in so many other lives.

The secretary of the Design and Industries Association, 6, Queen-square, Bloomsbury, writes:—

Sir Lawrence Weaver gave the greatest support to the work of the Design and Industries Association and was its president for several years. He believed that the greatest service that could be rendered to British industry was to inform it constantly of the futility of a reliance on old forms and patterns and of the need (and economic benefit) of a use of modern technique and an improvement in design. In 1926 he was the chairman of a committee of the association which decided to undertake the organization of the English exhibit at the Leipzig International Exhibition, when no official action had been taken and England would not have otherwise been represented. And in even small and troublesome jobs he showed the same attention and willingness to be of service to industry that was so unstintingly given to its larger issues.

MR. H. G. YATES

A correspondent writes:—

Many of your readers will, I am sure, learn with deep regret of the death, following an accident, of H. G. Yates. Educated at Battersea Grammar School, he went up to Queens' College, Cambridge, and obtained his Blue for Association football in 1907 and 1908; he also played for the Corinthians and the Amateur Football Association. In the War he enlisted in the Artists' Rifles, and later was gazetted to the Royal Field Artillery, where he attained the rank of major and was awarded the Military Cross.

Having been on the staffs of both Highgate and City of London schools, he had for a number of years successfully conducted a private school, St. Nicholas Lodge, Birchington. A good all-round sportsman, he also possessed in no small degree those other qualities that go to the making of a good schoolmaster—understanding, firmness, gentleness, infinite patience, and a keen sense of humour. Those of us who knew him well loved him well. He leaves a widow and four children.

MAJOR CRAIGIE

Lord Bledisloe writes:—

May I be allowed to pay my humble tribute to the memory of Major P. G. Craigie, who was an outstanding figure in the agricultural world towards the end of the last century, a redoubtable champion of agricultural interests, a pioneer of agricultural progress, a successful administrator during the 17 years that he laboured at the Board of Agriculture, and probably the most loved of all officials who ever entered its portals? The Board of Agriculture was founded 40 years ago as the result of the prudent agitation for the suppression of contagious animal diseases of the Central Chamber of Agriculture, of which Craigie was then secretary. Not only in association with his friend and patron, Henry Chaplin (the "Squire"), did he initiate the salutary work of a new Government Department, but as an ardent educationist and economist he laid the foundation of its now widespread activities in the fields of research and education, and of the still more important marketing organization which seems likely to furnish hereafter its main justification. Like Florence Nightingale, when he retired from public life he made his home in the little village of West Wellow, on the edge of the New Forest, where, as member of Parliament for South Wiltshire, I found in him 20 years ago a loyal and enthusiastic supporter. His name should find an honoured place in the chequered history of British agriculture, as his memory does in the hearts of his many friends.

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The Estate Market

SPORTING LAND

SALE OF 456 LOTS

Sir Gerald Chadwyck-Healey has sold Wyphurst, 133 acres and an old house with additions in the Tudor style, at Cranleigh, the agents being Messrs. Hampton and Sons (St. James's-square) and Messrs. Whatley, Hill and Co. Over 500 acres of woodland are included in the sale, announced yesterday, by Messrs. Hampton and Sons, of West Harling Hall, Sir Guy Nugent's East Anglian sporting estate.

Sir Havelock Hudson has bought The Lodge, a Georgian house at Brimpton, Newbury, the vendor's agents being Messrs. Ewart, Wells and Co. (Bolton-street), who have sold Great Down, Seale, 40 acres, and The Hatch, Churt.

Lambourn Place, a large modern mansion, and 730 acres, with Berkshire gallops and trout fishing, will be offered by Messrs. John D. Wood and Co. (Mount-street) and Messrs. James Styles and Whitlock (St. James's-place).

Sevenoaks road frontages, for development, are included in the 447 acres of the Valence estate, near Hosey Common and Westerham, for sale by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley (Hanover-square), and Messrs. Simmons and Sons (Henley-on-Thames). Two large houses, Valence and Dunsdale, 21 cottages and lodges, and a trout stream are included.

Fonab Castle Estate, 2,000 acres, near Pitlochry, Perthshire, is to be privately sold by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley. The property is on the south side of the Tummel, in which there is salmon and trout fishing. The shooting includes grouse and pheasants.

In a short report on real estate business transacted by them in 1929, Messrs. Harrods, Limited (Brompton-road), mention that their realizations of £2,636,406 represented an increase of £313,787 on the figures in 1928, and compare with £800,000 in 1923.

Over 200 London properties are included in the 456 residential lots disposed of by the firm in 1929. Sales of houses through their West Byfleet Office are stated at £135,200 for the year. The manager of the Department, Mr. Robinson Smith, says:—"We record our indebtedness to brother agents, London and country, for their pleasant co-operation during the year." Messrs. Harrods have lately established agencies in Monte Carlo and Le Touquet. The firm held 58 auctions of furniture and works of art in the Trevor-square Galleries, and their Town and country auctions of the same class included the Walcot sale of the first Lord Clive's collection. Very many of the 200 Town houses which have passed through their hands are in Knightsbridge, Chelsea and Belgravia.

Mr. Robinson Smith says it has been easy to arrange furnished tenancies of Town and country houses, as well as London flats, and tenants generally wish to take them for a longer term than formerly. He adds that:—"Insurance and Probate valuations were made by the firm last year of furniture and works of art worth well over a million sterling."

Next Friday, at St. Helens, Messrs. Hillier, Parker, May and Rowden (Maddox-street) will sell business premises. Their first auction at the Mart this year will be on January 23, of Kingston and Willesden freehold shops. Watford freehold joinery works, nearly two acres with a railway siding, and the plant, will come under the hammer, on the premises, on February 25.

City offices in Abchurch-yard, illustrated yesterday (p. 24), to be let by Messrs. Garrett, White and Poland (Budge-row), have a carpet area of 12,000 square feet.

Freehold ground rents, with reversions to properties in Bermondsey and Tottenham, await offers at the Mart on February 6, through Messrs. Farebrother, Ellis and Co. (Fleet-street). The rack rents amount to £1,250 a year.

SALES BY AUCTION

FOX and SONS

BOURNEMOUTH.—4, Curzon-road, freehold .. £1,060

JENNER and DELL

HOVE.—34, First-avenue, freehold .. 1,750

NIGHTINGALE, PAGE and BENNETT

SURBITON.—15 to 23, Britannia-road, freehold 1,600

AUCTION SUMMARY

PROPERTY (TOWN, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY) SALES THIS DAY

Auctioneers	Place of Sale	Description
Drivers, Jonas and Co.	White Hart Hotel, Oxon. (12.0)	Freehold Properties
Wm. Thomson and Moulton	14, Cork-st., Liverpool (3.0)	Leasehold Properties

FURNITURE, WORKS OF ART, &c. SALES THIS DAY

A. Darby and Co.	Baddow-place, Baddow, Essex (10.30)	Gt.	Contents of the Residence
Harrods, Ltd.	Auction Rooms, Trevor-square, Knightsbridge, S.W. (10.30)		Furniture, Furs, &c.
Tooth and Tooth	187, Oxford-st., W. (12.0)		Antique and Modern Furniture
Debenham, Storr and Sons	26, King-st., W.C. (12.0)		Jewelry, &c.
Phillips, Son and Neale	73, New Bond-st., W. (1.0)		Antique and Modern Furniture, Silver, Books
Puttick & Simpson	47, Leicester-square, W.C. (2.0)	Rare	Stamps

NAVAL, MILITARY, AND AIR FORCE

BRITISH AND AMERICAN CRUISERS

An interesting point which is contained in the official Return of Fleets issued last Friday is that the United States now has 10 cruisers of 10,000 tons building, in addition to the eight of the Pensacola class which were authorized in 1924. If an agreement on the lines indicated at the time of Mr. MacDonald's conference with President Hoover in October is arrived at during the forthcoming Conference, it may not be necessary for the United States to lay down any more 10,000-ton cruisers.

Great Britain has built and building 13 10,000-ton cruisers, and the YORK and EXETER, of 8,400 tons but carrying 8in. guns, making a total of 15 ships with 8in. guns. The rest of her total of 50 cruisers would eventually be 6in.-gun ships. The proposal towards parity was that the United States should have 18 cruisers with 8in. guns, and the rest 6in. The Navy Department wanted 21 such ships. It was stated that only a difference of three ships separated the proposals of the two Governments. How the difference was accommodated the Conference proceedings will show. But if it is settled on the basis of 18 heavy cruisers, this is the total already in hand. Any higher figure would involve further building in this class.

NEW COURSES

A new term at the Imperial Defence College at No. 9, Buckingham-gate opens this week. This is the fourth year in which the college has been at work. It exists to train a body of officers and civilian officials in the broadest aspects of Imperial strategy. The Navy, Army, and Air Force each send five students, and about 15 others come from the Dominion Forces and the Civil Service. The naval officers to attend the new term are Captains F. L. Tottenham, O.B.E., Geoffrey Layton, D.S.O., G. F. B. Edward-Collins, A. H. Taylor, O.B.E., and Patrick Macnamara.

To-day also a new term opens at the Royal Naval Staff College at Greenwich, which exists to train staff officers and to provide a higher naval education. The names of the officers who are to attend were published in *The Times* on January 4. They include Commander R. I. Agnew, of the Royal Canadian Navy, and Lieutenant-Commander L. F. Gilling, of the Royal Australian Navy.

ENGINEER BRANCH CHANGES

Engineer Captain C. J. Limpenny, D.S.O., who since 1926 has been engineer officer on the staff of the Rear-Admiral of Submarines at Fort Blockhouse, Gosport, is to relieve to-morrow Engineer Captain A. V. Sharpe in the Department of the Director of Torpedoes and Mining. The latter officer has been appointed to Gibraltar. Engineer Captain Limpenny served during the first half of the late War in H.M.S. ADAMANT, attached to the flotilla of "E" class submarines which rendered important service in the North Sea and at the Dardanelles. He was commended for service in action at Gallipoli. From January, 1917, he served in the destroyer MONS, and from October, 1917, in the ITHURIEL and the submarines attached to her. For his War service he was appointed D.S.O.

AUSTRALIAN FLEET ECONOMY

The Australian ships MORESBY and SWORDSMAN have been paid off into reserve at Sydney. These are part of the economy measures which the Commonwealth Government has been obliged to take on account of the financial stringency. The MORESBY is a surveying ship, formerly the SILVIO sloop in the Royal Navy and renamed after Admiral John Moresby, who discovered many valuable harbours in New Guinea and elsewhere in the Pacific. The SWORDSMAN is one of the six destroyers given to Australia from the Royal Navy in 1919, only two of which are now retained in commission, the ANZAC and SUCCESS.

SHIPS' BADGES NOT FOR SALE

A recent Fleet Order has been interpreted in some quarters as implying that ships' and boats' badges and scrolls, removed from vessels to be prepared for sale, will be available for sale to persons interested. It is desired to make clear, therefore, that badges and scrolls of approved design are to be held in custody for possible use in other ships of the same name, and will not be available for sale to private individuals.

PROMOTION FROM RANKS

The following non-commissioned officers have been selected to attend the Course of Instruction at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, beginning in February, in accordance with the Regulations under which non-commissioned officers of the Regular Army may be granted Combatant Commissions as Second Lieutenants:—

Lance-Corporal W. H. Barlow-Wheeler, 2nd Bn., The East Surrey Regiment; Lance-Corporal S. J. Bennett, 2nd Bn., The Dorsetshire Regiment; Lance-Corporal A. R. Cox, 2nd Bn., The King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Lance-Corporal T. P. H. Du Boulay, 3rd Bn., Grenadier Guards; Lance-Corporal W. Fiori, 1st Bn., The Wiltshire Regiment; Corporal R. W. H. Green, 1st Bn., The Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry; Lance-Corporal G. E. Hicks, 2nd Bn., The King's Royal Rifle Corps; Lance-Bombardier E. D. C. Hiser, Royal Artillery; Lance-Corporal E. H. Latham, 2nd Bn., The East Yorkshire Regiment; Lance-Corporal J. L. Rawlinson, 17th/21st Lancers; Lance-Corporal C. S. Taylor, Royal Army Service Corps; Sergeant Instructor L. S. Taylor, Army Educational Corps; Lance-Corporal H. B. Vaughan-Arbuckle, 2nd Bn., The Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment; Lance-Corporal A. J. A. Watson, 3rd Bn., Grenadier Guards; Lance-Corporal H. S. Wellwood, 1st Bn., The Duke of Wellington's Regiment.

OFFICERS' DAUGHTERS

At the election held on December 18, 1929, for the entrance of nine pupils to the Royal School for Daughters of Officers of the Army at £20 per annum, the following were the successful candidates:—

Miss E. Scott (2,634 votes), Miss R. N. Maltby (1,063), Miss P. Tunnard (898), Miss P. A. Lushington (813), Miss H. J. Moody (726), Miss P. R. Winter (718), Miss A. F. Darnell (699), Miss L. G. Marsh (671), and Miss J. M. Grierson-Jackson (630).

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

BASIDU, Jan. 11.—Lupin left for Koweit and Crocus arrived.

BERMUDA, Jan. 10.—Champlain arrived, and Heliotrope left for Charleston. Jan. 11.—Despatch left for Nassau.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 11.—Wallflower arrived.

DEVONPORT, Jan. 10.—Submarine M 2 arrived.

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 11.—Wanderer arrived, and left Jan. 12; and Titania and Fourth Submarine Flotilla left for U.K.

HENJAM, Jan. 10.—Ormonde and Lupin left.

HONG-KONG, Jan. 11.—Sepoy arrived from patrol and Thracian left on patrol.

MALTA, Jan. 12.—Wild Swan arrived.

MANZANILLO, Jan. 8.—Vancouver arrived and left.

MOHAMMED GUL, Jan. 10.—Clematis left for Port Sudan.

PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—Snapdragon, St. Cyrus, and St. Genny left for Gibraltar. Jan. 11.—Vanessa, Argus, and Tetrarch arrived; and Submarine H 44 left for Sheerness. Jan. 12.—Vimy arrived.

PORTSMOUTH, Jan. 11.—Queen Elizabeth arrived; and Vanessa, Argus, and Tetrarch left for Portland, Jan. 12.—Vimy left for Portland; and Submarine H 30 left for Sheerness.

PORT SUDAN, Jan. 11.—Clematis arrived.

SIMONSTOWN, Jan. 11.—Verbena left for Port Elizabeth.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty yesterday:—

COMMRS.—J. G. BOWER, D.S.O., to Dartmouth, and H. B. JERMAIN, to Calliope (Jan. 22).

LIEUT.-COMMRS.—B. DE L. FAUNCE, to Eagle (Jan. 13), and W. WALMSLEY, to Constance (Jan. 27).

LIEUT.—E. R. COLLINS, to Vernon (Feb. 3).

SUB-LIEUT.—C. W. MCMULLEN, to Sesame (Jan. 11).

PAYMR. COMDR.—J. W. E. GILBERT, O.B.E., to Vivid (Jan. 17).

WT. ENGNRS.—A. HEMINGWAY and C. MORGAN, to Victory, for courses (Jan. 13).

PROMOTION

COMMR. (Rtd.)—A. C. HORSLEY, to rank of Capt. (Retd.) (seny. Jan. 14).

ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE

SUB-LIEUT.—J. D. LOUGHMAN, to Constance, for training (Jan. 15).

HALF-CIRCLE TRAFFIC ISLANDS

At a committee meeting of the Pedestrians' Association the following resolution was passed unanimously:—

"That the Minister of Transport be asked, in the interests of public safety, to arrange that, wherever possible, where two important roads cross each other, two half-circle islands be constructed with the object of slowing the traffic on the road of lesser importance, of deflecting it into the road of greater importance in the direction in which its traffic is moving, and of affording that traffic priority of passage."

The following note has also been issued by the association:—"Where such islands have been installed, *e.g.*, at the junction of the Regent's Park-road, and the North Circular road, there has been an immunity from accidents and no need of a road scout or policeman at an important road junction with fast traffic in both directions."

GRAND COURT OF WARDMOTE

A Grand Court of Wardmote was held yesterday at Guildhall for the purpose of receiving the official returns from the 26 Wards of the City of London of the election of members of the Corporation for the present year. The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs attended in state. The Town Clerk (Sir James Bell) submitted the returns, which showed that the 206 retiring members had been re-elected without opposition or contest. The City Marshal (Captain Derek Massy) was sworn as an extra constable, and the Ward beadles and other officials were also readmitted to office.

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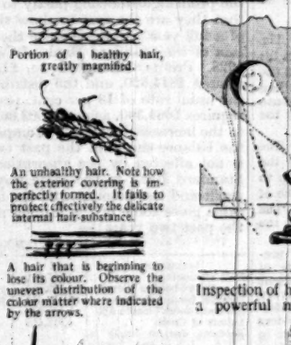


Portion of a healthy hair, greatly magnified.

An unhealthy hair. Note how the exterior covering is imperfectly formed. It fails to protect effectively the delicate internal hair-substance.

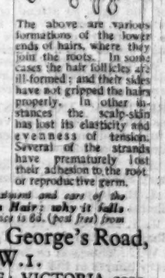
A hair that is beginning to lose its colour. Observe the uneven distribution of the colour matter where indicated by the arrows.

A hair that tapers too rapidly from the base towards the tip. The lower end of the hair, and the follicle, are misshapen.

Scalp-surface.

A hair with scurf accumulations clinging to its base. These scurf deposits would choke and congest the hair follicles.

Inspection of hairs under a powerful microscope.



The above are various formations of the lower ends of hairs, where they join the roots. In some cases the hair follicles are ill-formed; and their sides have not gripped the hairs properly. In other instances the scalp-skin has lost its elasticity and evenness of tension. Several of the strands have prematurely lost their adhesion to the root or reproductive germ.

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Application has been made to the Stock Exchange, London, for permission to deal in the above Preference Shares numbered 1 to 600,000 inclusive, and in 200,000 of the above Ordinary Shares numbered 1 to 200,000 inclusive.

DIRECTORS.

ALEXANDER JAMES PATERSON, 49, Queen-street, Edinburgh (Chartered Accountant).

JOHN ROBERT GRAY, Dunallan, Eskbank, Midlothian (Director of Allied Sumatra Plantations, Ltd.).

JOHN ALLAN LINDSAY, Gleniffer, 1, Zetland-place, Trinity, Leith (Flour Importer).

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CHARLES HANSON URMSTON, 10, Atholl-crescent, Edinburgh (Writer to the Signet).

JOHN HENRY FOLLOWS, C.B.E., M.V.O., Euston Station, London, N.W.1 (Railway Vice-President).

JAMES CALDER, 23, Waterloo-place, Edinburgh (Railway General Manager).

BANKERS.

THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, LIMITED, 14, George-street, Edinburgh.

BROKERS.

GREENWOOD & CO., 28, Austin Friars, London, E.C.2, and Stock Exchange.

WATSON, FORREST & WATT, 2, George-street, Edinburgh, and Stock Exchange.

AUDITORS.

RICHARD BROWN & CO., 23, St. Andrew-square, Edinburgh, Chartered Accountants.

SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE.

GEORGE OLIVER, Chartered Accountant, 49, Queen-street, Edinburgh.

OBJECTS.—The Company was incorporated on 15th August, 1929, with the objects set out in its Memorandum of Association, but primarily to acquire as a going concern as at 15th August, 1929, and carry on the business of the Scottish Motor Traction Company, Limited—hereinafter called "the Vendor Company"—which was established in Edinburgh on 14th June, 1905.

PURCHASE PRICE.—The consideration for the purchase of the business as a going concern was £800,000, which has been satisfied by the allotment to the Shareholders of the Vendor Company of 600,000 fully paid 6½ per cent. Preference Shares of £1 each, and 200,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each fully paid. The remaining 200,000 Ordinary Shares were issued for cash at par on 15th August, 1929; £200,000 was received by the Company and no underwriting commission was paid in respect of these shares.

BORROWING POWERS.—The Directors are empowered to borrow up to one-half of the paid-up Capital of the Company. The Company in General Meeting may sanction further borrowing powers. These borrowing powers have only been exercised to the extent of an overdraft from the Company's Bankers.

DIRECTORS' QUALIFICATION.—The qualification of a Director is the holding in his own right and as sole holder, of shares of the Company to the nominal value of not less than 1,000 shares of the Company, either Preference or Ordinary, or, partly the one and partly the other.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION.—The remuneration of the Directors is fixed by the Articles of Association as £500 per annum to the Chairman, and £300 per annum to each of the other Directors, all free of Income Tax. The Company in General Meeting may vote the Directors additional remuneration.

VOTING POWERS.—Each member present in person has one vote on a show of hands and upon a poll every member present in person or by proxy has one vote for every share held by him, provided that the Preference Shares do not confer on the holders thereof the right to attend or vote, either in person or by proxy, at any General Meeting of the Company, or to have notice of such Meeting, unless their preferential dividend shall be nine months in arrear, or unless a resolution is proposed affecting the rights or privileges attached to the Preference Shares.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST.—The Directors, as shareholders in the Vendor Company, were interested in the Property acquired by the Company as follows:—

Mr. A. J. Paterson as holder of 1,125 Ordinary Shares in the Vendor Company,

Mr. J. R. Gray as holder of 1,690 Ordinary Shares in the Vendor Company,

Mr. J. A. Lindsay as holder of 800 Ordinary Shares in the Vendor Company,

Mr. W. J. Thomson as holder of 1,112 Ordinary Shares in the Vendor Company,

Mr. C. H. Urmston as holder of 500 Ordinary Shares in the Vendor Company,

out of a total issued capital of 400,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES.—The Preliminary Expenses are estimated to amount to £20,500, but of this £7,782 (a proportion of the Registration Fees paid in connexion with the Vendor Company) has been recovered, and it is expected that a further sum of £218 will be recovered from the Inland Revenue.

DIVIDENDS.—The Company having only been incorporated on 15th August, 1929, no dividends have yet been paid. No shares of the Company are under option.

AGREEMENT.—The following Agreement has been entered into:—

Dated 13th August, 1929, between the Scottish Motor Traction Company Limited, incorporated in 1905 (in Voluntary Liquidation), and George Oliver, Chartered Accountant, 49, Queen-street, Edinburgh, the Liquidator thereof, of the one part, and the Scottish Motor Traction Company Limited, incorporated in 1929, of the other part, being the purchase and sale Agreement.

The above-mentioned Agreement and a print of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the Offices of Messrs. Greenwood and Co., Stockbrokers, 28, Austin Friars, London, E.C.2, during usual business hours within seven days from the date hereof.

Dated 14th January, 1930.

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CITY NOTES

NEW BANKING CAPITAL

DISCOUNT COMPANY RESULTS

The current annual report of the Midland Bank will be of particular interest to shareholders for two reasons. First, in addition to the publication of the balance-sheet in the accustomed form, there is included for the first time a consolidated statement showing the assets and liabilities of the Midland and its affiliated companies. Secondly, it contains an announcement regarding an early issue of capital. The directors propose that an offer to the shareholders be made of new shares of £1 each, fully paid, at £2 per share, in the proportion of one new share for every £20 of paid-up capital, the premium of £1 per share to be credited to the reserve fund. The intention is to allot the new shares provisionally to shareholders who are on the register on February 28. Allotment letters will be posted early in April. As the present issued capital of the Midland Bank is £13,433,000, the proposed issue will add £1,343,300 to its working resources, of which £671,650 will be credited to capital and £671,650 will be added to the reserve fund. The bank will thus maintain the happy position of possessing a reserve exactly equal to the amount of its paid-up capital. The present price of the bank's £1 (fully paid) shares is 78s., cum dividend, so that the issue provides shareholders with an acceptable bonus.

The Accounts

In the current balance-sheet of the Midland Bank a reduction has taken place in a number of the main items. A year ago the total of the balance-sheet showed an unusually big increase, the aggregate rising from £438,452,000 to £497,714,000; the latest figure is £445,789,000. A summary of the balance-sheets for the last two years is appended:—

—	Dec. 31, 1929		Dec. 31, 1928	
LIABILITIES:	£		£	
Capital paid up	13,432,968		13,432,968	
Reserve fund	13,432,968		13,432,968	
Current, deposit and other accts.	370,622,758‡		294,591,227	
Acceptances, &c.	19,779,218		24,942,380	
Engagements	17,695,146		49,498,985	
ASSETS:	£	% *	£	% *
Cash and balance with Bank of England	46,018,243	12·4	45,440,918	11·5
Balances with and cheques in course of collection on other banks	18,375,292	4·8	20,247,083	5·1
Money at call and short notice	21,670,909	5·7	27,661,297	7·0
Investments†	32,923,891	8·7	36,368,608	9·3
Bills discounted	58,783,657	15·5	53,547,505	13·6
Advances	210,374,290	55·4	214,050,972	54·2
Bank premises	8,964,535	2·4	8,725,101	2·2
Balance - sheet total	445,789,491	—	497,714,084	—

* Percentage of current and deposit accounts.
† Excluding those in affiliated institutions.
‡ Including balances due to affiliated companies amounting to £2,919,564, this figure being shown separately in the present balance-sheet.

Reductions have occurred in investments, bills discounted, and advances; the percentage of advances to deposits is, however, again larger, being 55.4, against 54.2. According to the consolidated statement the deposits of the Midland and its affiliated companies—namely, the Belfast Banking Company, Clydesdale Bank, North of Scotland Bank, and Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Company—amount to £438,976,000, which compares with £379,623,000 held by the Midland alone, and the advances of the combined undertaking amount to £246,330,000, as against £210,374,000 made by the Midland separately. The proportion which the advances bear to the deposits is much the same in the consolidated statement as in the Midland statement. Taking the chief liquid assets—namely, cash, money at call, investments, and bills discounted—the total held by the consolidated undertaking is £215,849,000, which represents over 49 per cent. of the deposits. This ratio is even slightly larger than the 47 per cent. which the corresponding items in the Midland's own accounts bear to its deposits.

Canadian Bank's Balance-sheet

The full accounts of the Canadian Bank of Commerce reveal large expansion in the profit figures owing partly to the fact that they are the first to show the result of a full year's working since the absorption of the Standard Bank of Canada in 1928. Profits amounted to £1,041,006, against £814,620, and the distribution at the usual rate of 13 per cent. per annum requires £664,360, against £503,062, owing to the increase in capital. Comparison of the balance-sheets of the past two years is not affected by the absorption of the Standard Bank in the same way as the profit and loss account, and the following table gives some of the leading items for the past two years:—

—	Nov. 30, 1929	Nov. 30, 1928
LIABILITIES:	£	£
Note circulation	7,197,131	7,453,374
Deposits not bearing interest	29,197,709	29,867,470
Deposits bearing interest	88,557,699	85,510,094
Advances under Finance Act	5,136,986	5,698,630
Letters of Credit	6,912,468	3,977,585
Balances due to banks in U.S., U.K., and foreign countries	14,987,941	10,019,138
ASSETS:		
Cash and balances due by other banks	27,839,804	26,305,338
Investments	15,780,455	19,155,799
Call and short loans in Canada	11,305,097	11,475,866
Call and short loans outside Canada	21,579,229	16,239,435
Current loans and discounts in Canada	70,285,521	64,380,448
Current loans and discounts outside Canada	5,848,562	5,780,871

The increase in the bank's total resources from £153,017,000 to £164,635,000 is mainly due to the expansion in the letters of credit and in the balances due to banks abroad, to larger advances under the Finance Act, and to the increase in the total of the capital and reserve from £10,201,397 to £12,245,757. Of the changes among the assets the most interesting are the increases of 9.4 per cent. in advances in Canada and of 32.7 per cent. in the call and short loans outside Canada, the latter movement being presumably due chiefly to the employment of larger funds in New York.

Reports of Discount Companies

Two of the large London discount companies, the National Discount Company and Alexanders Discount Company, issued their annual reports yesterday. The accounts of the first-named reveal a decline in gross earnings from £737,869 to £667,046, but owing to a reduction in the rebate on bills not due the net profits at £179,861 show an increase of £4,000. As already announced, the bonus on the company's "B" shares is increased from 1s. 6d. per share to 2s. per share and the appropriation to reserve raised from £15,000 to £25,000. The balance-sheet discloses an increase from £40,240,000 to £47,142,000 in the bills discounted, and as the bills re-discounted rose from £17,527,000 to £23,001,000 the company's portfolio at the close of the year amounted to £24,141,000, compared with £22,713,000 at the end of 1928. Net profits of Alexanders Discount Company were slightly less than for 1928, amounting to £132,101, compared with £138,773, the rebate in the case of this company being rather larger than a year ago at £240,855. The total of the company's bill holding is slightly smaller, being £16,929,000, against £17,160,000, the bills discounted showing a reduction of £1,983,000, while the bills re-discounted have declined by £1,707,000. Investments have fallen from £5,107,000 to £3,021,000, but the total at the end of 1928 was well above the average of recent years.

Pastoral Company's Poor Year

For the Australian Pastoral Company the 12 months ended June 30 last were the worst it has experienced for many years. Gross earnings declined from £274,906 to £189,498, and as outgoings upon expenses, rents, improvements, and taxes at £175,134 were only £1,500 smaller, the net profit fell from £92,284 to £14,364. The directors are paying a final dividend of 2 per cent., free of tax, against 5 per cent., free of tax, making for the year 5 per cent., compared with 8 per cent., but in order to make even this modest distribution it is necessary to reduce the "carry forward" from £41,908 to £6,272. Prices obtained for the company's wool were much lower than in recent years, and it is largely to this factor that the decrease in profits shown is due. Sales of sheep were also affected by wool prices and the number disposed of was considerably below the average.

Tea Stocks Again Larger

The tea statistics for December compiled by the Tea Brokers' Association of London show a further large increase in stocks of tea. As the Indian tea crop is produced in a season of about eight months' duration, which has just closed, and is sold over a period of 12 months, a large increase in stocks is to be expected towards the end of the Indian crop season. The preliminary estimate of the North Indian crop to the end of December is 370,273,600lb., an increase of 29,300,000lb., and owing to this larger output the expansion in the stocks has been greater than usual. Thus stocks of tea in London on December 31 last were 260,427,000lb., an increase of 25,000,000lb. on the month, compared with stocks of 220,523,000lb. at the end of December, 1928, the increase for that month having been only 16,000,000lb. Deliveries for December were 34,937,000lb., against 33,112,625lb. for December, 1928, so that consumption would appear to be increasing under the stimulus of lower prices. The existence of such great stocks of tea renders it practically certain that restriction of output in one form or another will take place in 1930. If no definite agreement to restrict should be reached between the various producing countries as a result of the negotiations now proceeding, the industry will perforce restrict output on its own account as it did in 1921, for the price of the commoner teas has fallen to a level which renders fine plucking on an extensive scale almost a certainty. Some slight easing of the burden of carrying the present large stocks of tea should be provided by the granting of an additional 2½ per cent. reduction in all importers' charges for tea warehoused, including rent, making with the 5 per cent. recently conceded a total reduction of 7½ per cent. in the warehouse charges on tea.

Insurance Deposits Abroad

A paper read last night before the Insurance Institute of London by Mr. Guy Johnson on "Foreign Legislation as affecting Insurance Companies" gave evidence of careful examination of the subject. The most important provision of the kind was, it was pointed out, the requirement of a fixed deposit. Out of 50 States considered as many as 35 required a fixed deposit of varying amount, while 12 of the 35 countries required a further deposit proportional to the premium income. In this country the provision for a deposit is regarded less as a fund for the payment of losses than as a guarantee of good faith, and there was a suggestion yesterday that in some countries there is the consideration of creating a demand for national securities. Mr. Johnson recalled that a company transacting fire insurance alone in all countries would have to deposit in various centres the total sum of £560,000 in first-class securities, and in order to conduct accident and marine business as well it would have to double that amount. However modest the figure may amount to in any one country the system may well exercise a restrictive influence on the growth of small enterprises.

Need of Liquid Resources

Attention was called to another aspect of the system of deposits by Sir Percy Mackinnon in an address before the League of Nations Union at Guildhall in 1927. It was then shown that the cost of any serious conflagration would probably far exceed the annual premiums derived from the particular locality or from the whole country in which the occurrence took place, and that wherever the risk might be primarily insured, or whatever might be the funds deposited with the local Government, it would be necessary after the disaster to hurry funds from other countries to make good the damage. If these were unduly locked up in particular centres the task of providing the necessary amounts in another country would be rendered more difficult. The managements of big insurance companies always need, indeed, to keep in mind the importance of liquid resources. Obviously, it may be very much to the interests of a country in which a great disaster occurred that funds should at once be made available from sources outside its borders, and the effecting of insurance with offices established outside a country may be fairly regarded as an insurance against the risk of financial disturbance.

GERMAN DISCOUNT RATE

REDUCTION TO 6½ PER CENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, JAN. 13

The Reichsbank discount rate, which was reduced from 7½ per cent. to 7 per cent in November, was to-day reduced to 6½ per cent. Exactly a year ago a similar reduction was made, but the uneasiness caused in Germany by the course of the Reparations discussions in Paris, which was accentuated by the attitude of certain foreign circles, led to a marked reduction in the gold holding of the Reichsbank. The Bank was then compelled, in spite of diminished business activity, to increase the discount and loan rates in April by 1 per cent. and to introduce vigorous restrictions of credit.

The situation improved as a result of these measures, and the November reduction of ½ per cent. became possible. In view of last year's experience, however, it had been doubted whether the Reichsbank would make a further reduction until the result of The Hague Conference was clear. It is now believed that a successful conclusion to the Conference is practically certain and the reduction has accordingly been made without further delay.

The official statement announcing the reduction says that in spite of a progressive improvement on the international money markets the special conditions on the German credit market—namely, the anticipated heavy demands at the end of the year and the continued pressure of public borrowing in the market—had previously prevented the lowering of the rate. In January, however, the position of the Bank had improved. Interest rates in other countries showed a falling tendency, and the divergence between Germany and other foreign markets remained, after the reduction, great enough to hinder an efflux of money. The reduction was urgently needed in the present period of depression, and the Bank consequently felt bound to set aside misgivings arising from the general situation and to make a moderate decrease at once.

STOCK EXCHANGE

BRITISH FUNDS FIRM

BRAZILIAN LOANS HIGHER

The Stock Markets opened the week quietly yesterday, and prices as a whole showed movement of a limited character only. British Funds continued firm in tone, and, while the highest quotations of the day were not in all cases maintained, Victory Bonds, Funding, and Conversion Four-and-a-Half per Cents. closed higher. Home Railway stocks were firmer at the close than earlier in the day, though prices showed little change. Foreign Railway stocks were rather better, except Antofagasta and Bolivia. There was some support for Foreign Government bonds, a rise of a general character taking place in Brazilian loans. Industrial shares were quiet and for the most part steady. Textile, gas, and electricity shares hardened in some cases. Mining shares lacked animation and showed a dull tone, though there were one or two exceptions in the South African group. Rubber shares were heavy on the further rise in London and Liverpool stocks.

The Five per Cent. War Loan closed 1-16 higher at 100 13-16, while the Three-and-a-Half per Cent. Conversion Loan was finally unchanged at 75 13-16. Victory Bonds were strong, the small denominations rising ¼ to 93¾, and Funding, Conversion Four-and-a-Half per Cents., and old Consols advanced. Conversion Five per Cent. "B" hardened to 100¼. The short-dated group had a slightly easier appearance. India stocks were dull. The HOME RAILWAY group, after being easier, hardened in the afternoon, and, while Great Western and London Midland and Scottish were finally a fraction higher, prices generally showed no change on the day.

In the FOREIGN market there was a further recovery in Brazilian loans, among which the Coffee bonds rose 1½ to 82½. The Government loans showed rises of ¼-1 per cent., the 1888 rising to 58, the 1903 to 74, and the 1914 Funding to 75. Among European loans higher prices prevailed for Dresden bonds (85½) and Munich and Westphalian bonds (87½ and 100½ respectively), while the Estonian loan was better at 90½. Japanese loans hardened, the 1910 being 68¾, while Chinese 1912 bonds were higher. Peruvian Corporation stocks showed small rises. ARGENTINE RAILWAY stocks were slightly firmer, and Leopoldina closed better at 52½, having been 53. Antofagasta and Bolivia stock fell to 84.

OIL shares showed no important change at the close. Canadian Eagle opened firmer at about 13s. 4½d., but closed at 12s. 9d., this price, together with that of Mexican Eagle (14s. 3d.), showing a small fall. Anglo-Egyptian "B" hardened to 2 7-16.

As expected, a further heavy rise was announced in London and Liverpool rubber stocks, but the commodity was a little better at 7½d., per lb. The share market remained idle, most quotations being unchanged. TEA shares were heavy.

TEXTILE SHARES FIRMER

The INDUSTRIAL market was quiet. Textile shares were firmer, English Sewing Cotton, Fine Cotton Spinners, Bradford Dyers and Bleachers all closing higher, but Courtaulds showed a small fall. There was again inquiry for one or two iron and steel and engineering shares, among which Babcock and Wilcox, Platt Brothers, Harland and Wolff Preference, and Consett were better, and there was also support for Swedish shares, several brewery shares (particularly Benskin's), Harrods (which rose to 73s. 9d.), and numerous insurance shares, most of the last-named closing ¼-½ higher. A further recovery to 7s. 9d. took place in Zinc Manufacturing. Imperial Continental Gas advanced further to 370, and European Gas were higher at 14. Several electricity shares were firmer, including County of London and Bournemouth and Poole. The American group opened lower and failed to rally on the entry of New York. Nickel closed ½ lower at $36, while Columbia Graphophone showed a fall of 5-16 at 6. Margarine shares were easier. Branston and other shares in the same group were dull.

The SOUTH AFRICAN market was irregular. While Sub Nigel advanced to 1 31-32 on Cape buying, which also caused rises in Daggafontein shares and options, Anglo-American, New Modderfontein, Modderfontein East, East Rand, and West Rand were lower, the two last-named falling to 12s. 2d. and 6s. 6d. respectively. Brakpan hardened to over 1¼. Rhodesian shares were dull, and lower prices prevailed for Tanganyika Concessions and Zambesia Exploring. Rio Tinto rose to 47½, but reacted subsequently to about 47. Tin fell £1 18s. 9d. per ton, and one or two tin shares declined, including London and Bangrin. Mining Trust fell to 12s. 6d.

TIN SELECTION TRUST

AMALGAMATION SCHEME APPROVED

An extraordinary general meeting of the Tin Selection Trust, Limited, was held yesterday in London to consider resolutions approving a scheme of amalgamation with the London Tin Syndicate, Limited.

SIR WILLIAM D. HENRY (the chairman) said that the terms of the fusion had been independently approved by two of the most eminent firms of chartered accountants, and were based upon a thorough and scientific valuation of the assets, in relation to their earning power, of each of the several companies. The experience of previous amalgamations in the tin industry showed that the economies resulting from such concentration were by no means illusory.

MODIFICATION OF PREFERENCE SHARE RIGHTS

It was proposed to split the shares of the London Tin Corporation in such a manner that all the present shareholders and, upon the completion of the merger, the shareholders of the Tin Selection Trust and the London Malayan Trust would receive one Ordinary share and one Preference share, each of 10s., in substitution for each £1 share then held. It was now proposed that the Preference shares, which it had been intended should be non-cumulative 8 per cent. shares, should be made cumulative and entitled to a participation in profits. A modified plan, approved by the London Tin board, provided that those shares should carry a cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of 7½ per cent. per annum, with the right to participate in a quarter of the residuary profits up to a total dividend of 10 per cent. Shareholders of the London Tin Syndicate were meeting on Thursday next to consider the resolution to give effect to the splitting of the shares, and at that meeting the directors would propose a further meeting to modify the rights of the Preference shares as indicated.

In the course of a short discussion Mr. CARTER opposed the scheme on the ground that he had invested his money in the company on the understanding that it was an investment trust company, with its risks spread over numerous operating companies.

Other speakers supported the proposals on the general ground that they represented part of an effort to place the tin industry on a better and more economical basis for the good of all concerned—from the operative as well as the investment point of view.

The resolutions were adopted by an overwhelming majority.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MONTREAL, JAN. 13

The market ruled dull to-day with a slightly easier tendency. Trading was inactive throughout the session with an absence of news of any special interest. Traders are watching New York closely, and it is believed that any sign of betterment there would be quickly reflected at Montreal. The close was quiet.

REUTER'S QUOTATIONS

—	Jan. 13	Jan. 11	—	Jan. 13	Jan. 11
Abitibi	27½	28¼	Cons. Mining	259	256
Alberta Pac. Grain	27½	27½	Dom. Bridge	77½	77⅝
Asbestos	2¾	2⅝	Dom. Textile	No bid	80
Do., Pref.	No bid	No bid	Fam. Players	41½	42
B.C. Packers	9½	9⅜	Fraser Cos.	16	16½
Braz. Tract.	20¼	20⅜	Hollinger	4¾	4¾
B.C. Pwr., A	39	39½	Int. Nickel	35½	35
Do., B	19½	19½	Massey H.	42¼	42¼
Brit. Emp. Steel	1½	1½	Montreal L'ts	131½	132
Do., 1st Pf.	20	20	Nat. Brew.	119	119
Do., 2nd Pf.	4½	4½	Nat. Steel Car	61½	61¼
Brompton	23⅞	25¼	Port Alfred Pulp, Pref.	89	89½
Calgary	155	155	Power Corp.	74	74½
Can. Car.	27⅜	27¼	Price Bros.	77	77½
Do., Pref'd.	90½	90¼	Quebec Pwr.	66	67
C. Cement	17¾	16½	Shawinigan	78⅞	78½
Do., Pref.	94½	93	S. Canada Power	34	34
C. Cottons	No bid	No bid	Steel Co. of Canada	44¾	44¼
C. Indus. Alcohol, A	11⅞	11⅞	Wyper. Elec.	No bid	53
Do., B	10	10	Bk. Montreal	315	323
C. Power	15½	16	Can. Bank		
C. Steamship	No bid	No bid	Com.	261	260
Do., Pref'd.	72	72	Royal Bank	305	304½
Cockshutt	23¼	23			

* Ex dividend.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

FURTHER DULLNESS

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The Stock Exchange had a dull and featureless session to-day with fluctuations generally in a fractional range. Sales were returned at 1,449,000 shares, being the lightest turnover so far this year.

The opening was irregular with trading narrow. There was nothing of importance in the week-end news, and the inactivity was heightened by the withdrawal of traders owing to their inability to make a profit on either side of the market. Some pressure subsequently developed against merchandising issues and steel stocks, the easiness of which encouraged scattered professional selling in other directions, but declines were checked by the support given to selected railroad issues, such as Chesapeake, New York Central, and Pennsylvania. The market later relapsed into inactivity, the sales during the first two hours totalling only 720,000 shares. Speculative interest converged into special groups, notably tobacco issues, on the announcement of an increase in retail cigarette prices, which is expected to stabilize the industry. It was announced that the bond issue of $150,000,000 Five per Cent. 35-year Debentures of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company at 99½ was over-subscribed.

There was nothing in the afternoon to stimulate any activity, but offerings were light and money was in plentiful supply with little demand, while covering by room traders prevented declines. The close was steady.

EXCHANGE	Method of Quoting	Parity	Jan. 13	Jan. 11
MONTREAL on—			$	$
London, cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.91¼	4.92
NEW YORK on—				
London, sight	£1	—	4.86⅝	4.86⅞
Cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.86⅞	4.87
60 days' sight	£1	—	4.81⅞	4.82
Grain bills, sight	£1	—	4.86¼	4.86⅝
Seven days	£1	—	4.85¼	4.85⅜
Paris, short sight	100f.	3.91¼	3.93	3.93⅛
Rome, cables	100l.	5.26	5.23½	5.23⅝
Amsterdam, short sight	100fl.	40.20	40.15⅞	40.21
Oslo, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.74	26.74
Stockholm, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.85	26.84
Copenh'g'n, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.75	26.75
Prague, cheques	100kr.	—	2.96	2.96
Berlin, short sight	100mk.	23.80	23.86⅜	23.88
Brussels, cables	100bel.	13.90	13.94	13.94
Berne, cables	100f.	19.30	19.36	19.37¼
Madrid, cables	100pts.	19.30	13.39	13.16
Vienna, cables	100sch.	14.07	14.07½	14.07½
Budapest, cables	100pen	17.49	17.50¾	17.50¾
Belgrade, cables	100din.	19.30	1.77¼	1.77¼
Athens, cables	100dr.	1.30	1.30¼	1.30¼
		Cents	Cents	Cents
B. Aires, cables	1 peso	42.54	40.36	40.66
Rio, cables	1 mil.	32.45	11.40	11.50

RAILWAYS

—	Closing Prices Jan. 13	Jan. 11	—	Closing Prices Jan. 13	Jan. 11
Atchison	226	223½	Int.C.Amer	29	30
Atl. Coast	166	165	Kansas C.S.	79	78
B. & O.	118½	117	Louisville	131½	135
Do., Pref.	79½	80	Minn., S.P.	30	30
Brooklyn M. Trst	64¾	65⅝	Miss. Pac.	89	89
Can. Pac.	196	194	Do., Pref.	136	135½
Cent. N.J.	273	277	N.Mex. I.Pf	3	3
Ches. & O.	208½	205½	Do., 2 Pf.	1⅛	1
Ch. G. W.	15	14½	N.Y. Cent.	170	168
Ch. & N.W.	84⅜	84¾	N.Y. C. & W.	229	225½
Ch.Mil.St.P.	25⅛	24¼	N. Pacific	87½	86
Ch.Rock Is.	115½	115	Pennsylv'a	78	74¼
Del.& Hud.	164	164	Reading	124½	122
Del., Lack.	141	137½	S.L. & S.F.	108½	108
Erie	58½	57	S.L. & S.W.	63	61
Do., 1st Pf.	61⅜	61⅜	S. Pacific	120¾	120
G.N., Pref.	96	96	Southern	134	134
Ill. Cent.	129½	128½	Do., Pref.	98	98
Interboro' Rapid Tr.	24⅝	23⅞	Un. Pacific	217	217
			Do., Pref.	82½	82½
			Wabash	58	54⅛
			Do., Pf., A	85½	85½
INDUSTRIALS					
Air Reduct.	127½	127	Int. Nickel	35⅜	35⅛
Allied Chem	269	260	Int. Paper	28	27½
Am. Agric. Ch., Pref.	28	27	Int. Tele.	73⅝	73
Am. & F. Pwr.	96	94½	Kennecott	57⅜	58⅛
Am. Can.	122⅞	121¼	Kresge S.S.	33½	33½
Am. Car.	102⅞	102⅞	K'ger S'p.	26¼	26½
Am. Loco.	102	102⅞	Liggett & M.	96½	95
Am. Rolling Mills	86½	86	Loose-Wiles	53	53
Am. Smelt.	72¾	73⅞	Mack Teks.	72	72
Am. Sug. R.	61½	61½	Montg'y W.	44¾	46
Am. Tel.	219¼	219½	Nash M'trs.	54½	53¼
Am. Tob.	202	200	Nat. Biscl.	181¼	183
Am. Wool'n	10½	11⅛	Nat. Dairy	75¼	75
Anaconda	73⅝	74¾	N. Amer.	46¼	45½
Armour D.	80⅛	80	Packard	95½	96
As.Dry Gds.	30	30¼	Para. Pat.	15⅞	16
Atl. Ref.	37⅞	38⅜	Penn. Ser.	57⅜	58⅛
Baldwin	32⅝	32¾	N.J.	85¼	85
BarnsdallA	23½	23⅝	Pullman	84⅜	84½
Beth. Steel	96⅜	96¼	RadioCorp.	41½	41½
Can. Dry Ginger	65	65	R'm'g'n Rd	28½	28½
Chile Copp.	56	56	Ryl. Dutch	54¼	54¼
Chrysler	35⅞	35¼	Sears R'k.	86⅝	86⅞
Col. Fuel	41½	40½	Shell Trans.	46¼	46¼
Colum. Gas	76¼	76¼	Shell Un.	23	23
Col. Graph.	29¼	29⅛	Sloss S. Sti.	35	35
Cons. Gas	101½	101½	Std. Brands	27⅛	27⅛
Cont. Can.	53	52¾	Std. Gas	115¼	115
Cont. Oil	22⅜	22⅝	Std. Oil of Cal.	60¾	—
Corn Prod.	91	91	Do., N.J.	64½	65
Crucible	91	90½	Do., N.Y.	32⅞	32⅝
Davison Ch.	30	30¼	Studebaker	43⅝	43¾
Drug, Inc.	78	78½	Texas Corp.	55½	55½
Du Pont	115	114	Tex. G. Sul.	57¾	57⅜
Eastman K.	178	178	Tidewater	12⅞	12⅞
Elec. P. & L.	53½	52	Un. Carbide	79⅝	79½
Electric Storage	70	70½	Un. Fruit	104	103½
Fox Film	21⅞	20⅝	United Gas	34¼	34
Gen. Elec.	246	244	U.S. L'ther	9¼	—
Gen. Foods	48⅝	48¼	U.S. Rbr.	24½	25
Gen. Motors	39¾	39	U.S. Steel	170⅛	169⅝
Gillette	101	101½	Do., Pref.	141½	141⅞
Goodrich	43	43½	W. Un. Tel.	206	205½
Goodyear	64⅛	64⅜	Whse. Mfg.	146¼	145¼
Hou. Oil Tx.	55½	55½	Woolworth	67⅜	67¼
Hud. M'trs.	57	56¼	Worth'n Pump	80	81
Ind. Rayon	119	121	Youngst'n Sheet	108	108
Int. Harv't	80½	80			
Int. Match	69	69½			

KERB STOCKS

An.-Am. Oil	17	17	Mid. West Utilities	26¼	26½
Assoc. Gas	41	41½	Pennroad	15½	13¼
Brit. Amer. Tobacco	27⅜	27½	Philip. Pet.	18	18½
Celanese	33½	33	Stand. Oil of Indiana	53	52⅞
Elec. Bond	83⅜	82½	Swift Int.	34*	35
Gulf Oil	138	139	VacuumOil	94¼	93½

BONDS

Liberty Ln., 3½%	99½₃₂	99½₃₂	Fdrl., 6% 1945	93	93
Do., 4¼%	100½₃₂	100½₃₂	Do., 7½% 1941	119¼	119
Do. (4th) 4¼%

MONEY MARKET

LOAN RATES HIGHER

FALL IN NEW YORK EXCHANGE

Money was decidedly tighter in Lombard-street yesterday and loan rates advanced, borrowers paying up to 4½ per cent. and even more for fresh advances for the night, while 4 per cent. became the general rate for renewing odd advances. Although the reduction in the German bank rate to 6½ per cent. and expectations of a fall in the Dutch rate caused some of the Continental exchanges to move in favour of sterling, the New York exchange moved against London, closing at 4.86^{13}_{16}$. The discount market was firm in tone, the rise in loan rates having served to restrict demand. In the earlier part of the day the market reported some inquiry for three months fine bank bills at 4 per cent.; later "hot" Treasury Bills were offered at 4$^{1}_{16}$ per cent. and even at 4$^{3}_{32}$ per cent., and business took place in February maturities at 4¼ per cent.

The Bank rate is 5 per cent., to which it was reduced from 6½ per cent. on December 12. The banks' deposit rate is 3 per cent. and the deposit rates of the discount houses are 3 per cent. at call and 3½ per cent. at notice.

Loans (per Cent.)	Discount (Bank Bills) (per Cent.)				
Day to day	For short periods	60 days	3 months	4 months	6 months
4—4½	4	4⅛	4⅛—4¼	4⅛—4¼	4⅛—4¼
Discount (Treasury Bills)			(Fine Trade Bills)		
2 Mths	3 Mths	4 months	3 months	4 months	6 months
⅝ 4⅛—4⅛	¾ 4⅛—4¼	⅞ 5—5⅛	1 5⅛—5⅛	1 5⅛—5⅛	1 5⅛—5⅛

REICHSBANK DISCOUNT RATE REDUCED

The Reichsbank has reduced its rate of discount from 7 per cent. to 6½ per cent. and the rate of interest on advances from 8 per cent. to 7½ per cent.—*Reuter.*

NATIONAL BANK OF BELGIUM

(000's omitted)

	Jan. 9	Inc. or Dec.
	Belgas	
Coin and bullion	1,666,329	— 121,925
Securities, Belgium and abroad	826,880	— 43,108
Notes in circulation	2,777,744	— 8,887
Current accounts	175,024	— 66,174
		Reuter.

NATIONAL BANK OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

(000's omitted)

	Jan. 7	Inc. or Dec.
ASSETS.	Crowns	Crowns
Gold stock	1,261,441	+ 3,048
Balances abroad and foreign currencies	2,242,367	— 27,188
Other cash	22,629	+ 736
Bills discounted	468,854	— 57,880
Securities discounted	181,560	— 294,187
Advances on collaterals	55,488	— 33,976
State notes debt balance and assets of the bkng. office of the Min. of Fin., in liquidation	4,113,019	— 10,921
Other assets	860,605	— 145,672
LIABILITIES.		
Capital fully paid up and reserve fund	406,800	—
Reserve funds	73,623	+ 7,628
Bank notes in circulation	7,264,748	— 964,764
Check accounts, balances and other sums due at sight	1,162,806	+ 488,038
Other maturities: short term cash vouchers	315	—
Other liabilities	276,165	— 37,097

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The New York exchange declined in the afternoon, sterling being offered on New York account, and the rate closed at 4.86^{13}_{16}$, a fall of $\frac{2}{32}$c. The premium on forward dollars was $\frac{1}{16}$c. one month and $\frac{1}{4}$c. three months. Less activity was reported in the Spanish exchange, which followed an erratic course, though on balance the day's movements were favourable to pesetas. The Madrid rate fell to 35.65p., but reacted sharply towards the close, being finally 36.35p., compared with 37.35p. on Saturday. At 123.90fr., the Paris rate was unaltered, but sharp rises occurred in the Dutch (12.10⅛fl.) and Swiss (25.14⅞) exchanges. The Swedish rate declined to 18.13kr., and the Brussels rate to 34.94f. After rising to 20.41m. on the reduction in the German bank rate, the Berlin rate fell back rapidly and finished at only 20.39½m. China exchanges were higher, the Shanghai rate advancing to 2s. 1$^{13}_{16}$d., and the Hong-kong rate to 1s. 7$^{15}_{16}$d. There was a slight decline in the Indian exchange to 1s. 4$^{29}_{32}$d. The Buenos Aires rate was lower at 45½d., and the Rio exchange at 5$^{19}_{32}$d. showed a slight reaction after its recent advance.

The following table gives the range of telegraphic exchange quotations within which business was reported yesterday:—

Place	Method of Quoting	Par of Exch'ge	Jan. 13	Jan. 11
New York	$ to £	4.8665	4.86$^{21}_{32}$—4.87$^{1}_{32}$	4.86$^{19}_{32}$—4.87$^{1}_{32}$
Montreal	$ to £	4.8665	4.91$^{11}_{16}$—92$^{1}_{16}$	4.91$^{5}_{16}$—92$^{1}_{16}$
Paris	Fr. to £	124.21	123.86-123.99	123.90-123.92
Brussels	Bel. to £	35.00	34.93-34.93	34.93¾-96⅛
Milan	Lire to £	92.46	92.05-92.05	92.05-92.05
Zurich	Fr. to £	25.2215	25.13¾-15½	25.13-25.15½
Athens	Dr. to £	375	374⅞-375¼	374⅞-375¼
Helsingfors	M. to £	193.23	193.65-194.00	193.75-194.00
Madrid	Pts. to £	25.2215	35.65-37.10	36.30-37.35
Genoa	Lire to £	—	92.05-92.05	92.05-92.05
Amsterd'm	Fl. to £	12.107	12.09½-10½	12.09-12.09¾
Berlin	M. to £	20.43	20.39-20.41	20.38¾-39¼
Vienna	Sch. to £	34.581	34.80-34.85	34.80-34.85
Budapest	Pen. to £	27.82	27.81-27.85	27.81-27.85
Prague	Kr. to £	164.44	164.00-164½	164.00-164½
Warsaw	Zloty to£	43.38	43.37-43.45	43.37-43.50
Riga	Lats to £	25.2215	25.17-25.25	25.17-25.25
Bucharest	Lei to £	812.6	817-820	817-820
Constant'ple	Pi. to £	1,696	1,695	1,695
Belgrade	Din. to £	25.2215	274⅞-275¼	274⅞-275¼
Kovno	Lit. to £	48.66	48½-49	48½-49
Sofia	Lev. to £	673.659	669-675	670-677
Reval	E.Kr.to£	18.159	18.17-18.22	18.17-18.24
Oslo	Kr. to £	18.159	18.21-21¼	18.21-21¼
Stockholm	Kr. to £	18.159	18.13¾-14¼	18.14¼-14¾
Copenh'gn	Kr. to £	18.159	18.19¾-20¼	18.20-20⅛
Alexandria	Pst. to £	97⅛	97⅛-97⅛	97⅛-97⅛
Bombay	Per rup.	18d.	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16
Calcutta	Per rup.	18d.	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16
Madras	Per rupee	18d.	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16	1/5$^{29}_{32}$-15/16
Hong-kong	Per dol.	—	1/6¼-1/6¾	1/6¼-1/6¾
Kobe	Per yen	24.584	2/0$^{29}_{32}$-2/0$^{15}_{16}$	2/0$^{29}_{32}$-2/0$^{29}_{32}$
Shanghai	Per tael	—	2/0¼-2/1⅛	1/11¾-2/0¼
Singapore	Per dol.	2/4	2/3$^{29}_{32}$-2/4$^{1}_{16}$	2/3$^{29}_{32}$-2/4$^{1}_{16}$
Batavia	Fl. to £	12.107	12.12$^{13}_{16}$-12¼	12.12$^{13}_{16}$-12.13
Manilla	Per dol.	24.0666	2/0$^{15}_{16}$	2/0$^{15}_{16}$
Rio d. Jan.	Per mil.	5.8906	5⅝-5$^{11}_{16}$	5$^{13}_{16}$-5$^{29}_{32}$
B. Aires	Per dol.	47.5776	45$^{13}_{16}$-45$^{15}_{16}$	45$^{13}_{16}$-45$^{29}_{32}$
Montevideo	Per dol.	—	99.63	99.50
Mont'video	Per dol.	51d.	45$^{3}_{32}$-48	45$^{3}_{32}$-46
Lima†	Per £	Par	Nominal	Nominal
Mexico	Pesos to £	9.78	10.00-10.25	10.00-10.25

† 90 days. ‡ Based on legal stabilization at $2.00-2.05 to 100Az. ‖ Sellers.

EMPIRE EXCHANGE RATES

BUYING RATES PER £100

	Demand	30 days' sight	60 days' sight	90 days' sight
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	97 0 0	0 96 8	9 95 17	6 95 6 3
New Zealand	97 0 0	0 96 8	9 95 17	6 95 6 3
Africa & Rhodesia	98 15 0	0 98 2	6 97 10	0 96 17 6

SELLING RATES

	Cable Transfers	Demand
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	— —	98 7 6	98 0 0
New Zealand	— —	98 7 6	98 0 0
South Africa	— —	99 15 0	99 12 6
Rhodesia	— —	99 16 3	99 13 9

The Bank of England announced yesterday the sale of £22,215 in BAR GOLD and the export of £2,000 in SOVEREIGNS. Since Wednesday last there has been a net influx of £979,626, as shown below:—

ARRIVALS	£	WITHDRAWALS	£
Jan. 9—		Jan. 9—	
Bar gold	20,908	Bar gold	3,445
Sovereigns	3,994	Sovereigns	2,000
Jan. 10—		Jan. 10—	
Sovereigns	1,000,000	Bar gold	29,237
Bar gold	1,153		
Jan. 11—		Jan. 11	Nil
Sovereigns	9,000		
Bar gold	3,500		
Jan. 13—	Nil	Jan. 13—	
		Bar gold	22,215
		Sovereigns	2,000
		Net inflow	979,626
Total	£1,038,555	Total	£1,038,555

Net influx for 1930 to date, £4,066,591; efflux for 1929 (according to the published movements of gold), £3,228,489.

In the bullion market the price of gold remained at 84s. 11½d. per oz. The mail steamer from South Africa due on January 27 has on board £479,693 in bar gold.

The recovery in BAR SILVER continued. China being again a buyer, and the price was fixed at 21$^{7}_{16}$d. per oz. for cash, and 21$^{11}_{16}$d. for forward delivery, a rise of $\frac{1}{16}$d. in each case.

INDIAN GOLD STANDARD RESERVE

The following statement shows the form in which the balance of the reserve was held on December 31, last:—

	£	£
	Rs.	Rs.
In India		
In England		
Cash at the Bank of England	3,575	
Gold	2,159,254	
British Treasury Bills—Value as on December 31, 1929	9,672,224	
Other British and Dominion Government Securities— Value as on December 31, 1929	28,171,867	
Total	41,006,920	

COMPANY RESULTS

AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL

The dividends shown in the following table are those announced on the Ordinary capitals (unless otherwise indicated) of the companies mentioned, and are the actual rates being paid (as distinct from the rates per annum):—

Company	Div.	Corresponding div.	Date payable	Total for year	Prev. year
	%	%		%	%
Broken Hill South	Int. 7½ & Int. 5 Bon. 2½†	} Nil	Feb. 8	7½	Nil
Garing (Malacca) Rbr.	7½	Nil	Feb. 8	7½	Nil
Metropolitan Tst.	Fin. 13	12½	Jan. 30	20	19½
Selection Trust	Int. 2½	Same	Feb. 6	—	—
Sunset Way Dredg.	Int. 5	Same	Jan. 24	—	—

† The bonus is a special distribution out of last year's profits.

Melso, Limited.—The first half-yearly payment of the preference dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, under the scheme recently approved, will be made on February 1 next on account of the half-year ended December 31, 1929.

U.S. AND FOREIGN SECURITIES CORPORATION

Net earnings for 1929 amounting to $11,710,069 (£2,342,018), compared with $7,652,887 (£1,530,577), are reported by the U.S. and Foreign Securities Corporation. Net income, after provision for taxes and Preferred dividends, was equivalent to $9.91 per share on the Common stock (against $5.85 per share). Dividends and interest received aggregated $2,452,264 (£490,453).

ALEXANDERS DISCOUNT

After providing for bad and doubtful debts and income-tax, the gross profits of Alexanders Discount Company for 1929 amounted to £412,397 (against £413,845 for 1928). The net profit amounted to £132,101, (against £138,773). As previously announced, no change is made in the total distribution for the year on the Ordinary shares at 20 per cent., which again includes a bonus of 5 per cent., paid free of tax. The balance forward is increased from £47,989 to £53,089. Meeting, January 22.

NATIONAL DISCOUNT

Gross profits of the National Discount Company for 1929 amounted to £867,046 (against £737,869 for 1928) and the net profits to £179,861 (against £175,860). The proposed final dividend on the "B" shares is 11 per cent., making 20 per cent. for the year (the same), while a bonus of 4 per cent. is also to be paid on these shares (against 3 per cent.). The directors have transferred £25,000 to the reserve fund (against £15,000) and £14,076 to the pension fund trustees (against £10,000. The balance forward is reduced from £215,844 to £211,842. Meeting, January 23.

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Net profits of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the year ended November 30 amounted to £1,041,006 (against £814,320 for the preceding year). To this is added not only the balance of £62,535 brought forward, but also a premium amounting to £1,022,180 received on new shares issued during the year, giving a total of £2,125,721. The distribution for the year is again 13 per cent., absorbing £725,522 (against £554,069); taxes amount to £133,562 (against £97,033), and donations and subscriptions to £13,326 (against £10,274), while transfers are made of £51,282 (against £42,471) to pension fund and £1,022,180 (against £395,219) to reserve fund, and £82,192 (against £51,370) is written off bank premises. The balance forward is £97,637.

THIRD SCOTTISH NORTHERN INVESTMENT

The net revenue of the Third Scottish Northern Investment Trust for the year ended December 15 amounted to £37,791 (against £22,515 for the preceding year), to which is added £985 brought forward. Ordinary stockholders receive a total dividend of 6 per cent. for the year (against 5½ per cent.), and £5,000 is again placed to reserve, increasing that fund to £20,000, while the balance forward is £2,176. A valuation of the investments shows an excess of £28,000 over the sum at which they stand in the balance-sheet, viz., £1,087,064. The balance of profit from investments realised, amounting to £26,231, has been placed to capital reserve. Meeting, January 21.

AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL

The revenue account of the Australian Pastoral Company for the year ended June 30 shows gross receipts of £189,498 (against £374,906 for 1927-28). The net profit shows a decline from £98,284 to £14,364. As previously announced, a final dividend of 1 per cent. is proposed, making 5 per cent., free of tax, for the year (against 8 per cent., free of tax). This involves a reduction of the carry forward from £41,908 to £6,272. Prices obtained for wool were much lower than in recent years, and it is largely to this factor that the decrease in profits is due. Sales of sheep were also affected by wool prices, and the number disposed of was considerably below the average. The market for cattle continued inactive. Since June 30 last fair rains have fallen on most of the properties, but it is stated that on all of them, with the exception of Amby Downs, general monsoonal rains are greatly needed. Meeting, January 21.

COTTON PLANTATIONS

On the operations of Cotton Plantations, Limited, for the year ended August 31 there was a profit, after allowing for depreciation, of £1,734. This compares with a loss of £11,406 for 1928 and a loss of £13,080 for eight months of 1927. Produce to the value of approximately £30,000 was harvested, of which at January 1, 1930, all but approximately £3,000 had been sold. This compares with a total of £11,000 for 1928. The number of bales of lint cotton gathered was 973 (against 377 bales), of which all but 95 have been sold. The Empire Cotton Growing Corporation continue to evolve improved seed, high yields from which have been obtained from limited areas; considerable quantities of this seed have been provided for the current season, and the greater part of the area now under cotton has been sown with it. The year's profit reduces the debit balance to be carried forward to £36,606. Of this amount, £15,340 is accounted for by depreciation written off and £2,903 by preliminary expenses written off. Meeting, January 23.

BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY BLOCK 14

The report of the directors of Broken Hill Proprietary Block 14 Company for the half-year ended September 30 last states that, as forecast in their previous half-yearly statement, the mine was reopened and active work commenced on September 9 last. In conjunction with the Broken Hill Proprietary Company, the company has entered into a contract with the Sulphide Corporation to treat the whole of the company's output in their mill at Broken Hill—the increased tonnage ensuring a considerable reduction in milling and treatment costs. The net loss is shown by the accounts of £8,922 (reducing the credit balance on profit and loss account to £30,082), representing mainly the expenditure incurred over the cessation period, which was necessary in order to keep the mine workings and surface equipment in a safe condition as to enable prompt resumption of operations when it was decided to reopen the mine. The general manager's report refers to possible shortage of water and states that unless further intakes are recorded it is estimated that the mines cannot be supplied beyond the end of the current month.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA

The accounts of the Imperial Bank of Canada (submitted to the meeting in Toronto on November 27) for the year ended October 31 show that the net profit amounted to $1,561,562 (against $1,459,472 for 1927-28), in addition to which $619,902 was brought forward, giving a total of $2,181,464. This has been disposed of as follows:—Dividend of 12 per cent. and bonus of 1 per cent. (both unchanged), $910,000; contribution to pension and guarantee funds, $42,500 (the same); written off bank premises, $350,000 (against $500,000); taxes paid and reserved, $160,000 (the same); carried forward, $718,964. The balance-sheet shows total assets at $154,380,786 (against $150,067,256), of which cash, notes, and balances due from other banks and banking correspondents amount to $26,312,067 (against $25,389,923), investments to $31,155,934 (against $33,169,202), call and short loans, loans to Provincial Governments, cities &c., to $18,548,750 (against $25,820,298), and other current loans and discounts in Canada to $80,084,841 (against $67,356,565). On the liability side deposits are shown at $122,905,433 (against $118,123,833), and the total liabilities to the public at $138,580,170 (against $134,126,478).

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Net receipts of the Midland Railway Company of Western Australia for the year ended June 30 amounted to £144,163 (against £156,688 for 1927-28). The ratio of working expenses to gross receipts fell from 41.34 to 39.99 per cent. After deducting Four-and-a-Half per Cent. First Mortgage Debenture interest, Australian taxation relating to the company's land holdings, and transferring £5,000 (against £8,000) to taxation reserve and £40,000 (against £30,000) to depreciation and renewals account, the accounts show a credit balance for the year of £91,584 (against £77,458). Out of this, interest on the Second Mortgage Income Debenture stock at 5 per cent. for the year, £29,618, has been deducted, and £25,000 (the same) has been transferred to general reserve. It is now proposed to pay a dividend of 4 per cent. for the year on the Unified Ordinary stock (against 3 per cent.) and to allow £4,745 (against £3,559) for redemption of reversionary certificates, being the proportion applicable to that purpose in terms of the trust deed. The carry forward is increased from £2,785 to £11,579. Sales of land for the year amounted to 109,484 acres (against 70,686 acres). The balance of land unsold at June 30 last was 823,057 acres. Meeting, January 22.

MILAN BOURSE

MILAN, Jan. 13.—Closing quotations:—Exchange on London, 93.01½ (previous, 93.07½); Consolidato, 5%, 78.10 (77.95); Banca d'Italia, 1,905 (1,910); Banca Commerciale, 1,562 (1,560); Banca Nationale di Credito, 551 (551½); Banco di Roma, 117 (117); Credito Italiano, 777 (799); Consilch Navigazione, 66 (65); Meridionali, 1,146 (1,126); Navigazione Generale, 500 (524½); Cantoni Coata, 835 (870); Sole Cinatilion, 190 (189); Snia Viscosa, 620 (577½); Ilva, 320 (320); Monte Amiata, 242½ (259½); Montecatini, 245½ (244½); Fiat, 332½ (323½); Adriatica, 240 (240½); Edison, 780 (777); Unione Esercisi Elettrici, 104 (105½); Terni, 397½ (396½); Consorzio Mobiliare Finanziario, 900 (799); Adamello, 314 (304).

FRANKFURT, Jan. 13.—Closing quotations:—Deutsche Bank, 152 (previous, 149½); Darmstädter Bank, 242½ (240); Metallbank and Metallurgische, 122 (120½); Farbenindustrie, 163¾ (160); Harpener Bergbau, 144¾ (143); Mannesmann, 105½ (104½); Rheinische Stahlwerke, 114¼ (112); Phönix Bergbau, 105 (105); Gelsenkirchner Bergwerk, 137¾ (137); Siegerlaender Elektrizitäts, 174¾ (169); Lahmeyer Elektrizitätswerke, 172 (168); Siemens and Halske, 300 (295); Schukert, 192½ (190½); Deutsche Gold und Silber, 152¾ (149); Philipp Holzmann, 96 (92½); Zellstoff Waldhof, 200 (196¾); Nordeutscher Lloyd, 106¼ (105); Süddeutsche Zucker, 157¼ (153½); German Liquidation Loan, 50 (50); German Protectorate Loan, 3½ (3½); Mexican Silver 5% Loan, 11 (11¼).

New branches of the Midland Bank have been opened at 201 and 203, Bromley-road, Bellingham, S.E.6, and 90 and 92, High-street, Putney, S.W.15. New offices have also been opened at Central Buildings, Brynhyfryd, Swansea, and in High-street, Northop, Flintshire.

CONTINENTAL BOURSE QUOTATIONS

PARIS, Jan. 13.—The following are closing quotations on the Bourse:—

3% Perpetual Rentes, 88.55 (previous closing, 89); 5% Rentes, 1915-16, 107.75 (107.80); 4% Rentes, 1917, 100.25 (100.45); 4% Rentes, 1918, 99.95 (99.90); 5% Rentes, 1920, 136.25 (136.85); 6% Rentes, 1920, 105 (105); 6% Rentes, 1927, 111.90 (112.90); 5% Credit National, 1919, 605 (605); 5% Credit National, 1920, 550 (552); 6% Credit National, 1921, 570 (570); 6% Credit National, 1922 (1st), 550 (540); 6% Credit National, 1923 (1st), 560 (579); 6% Credit National, 1924, 575 (—); 4% Egyptian Unified, 388.25 (388.50); 4% Italian Rentes, 92.30 (88.30); 4% Japanese, 1910, 484.25 (484.10); 5% Russian, 1906, 6 (7.50); 4% Russian, 1909, 4.60 (4.60); 4% Turkish Unified, 94.50 (94.50); Banque de France, 25,400 (25,600); Banque de Paris, 3,155 (3,170); Banque Parisienne, 2,240 (2,255); Comptoir National d'Escompte, 2,100 (2,080); Credit Foncier Egyptien, 4,145 (4,105); Credit Lyonnais, 5,340 (5,350); Banque d'Orient, 341 (unquoted); Banque Ottomane, 1,420 (1,420); Suez Canal Shares, 20,825 (20,750); Chargeurs Reunis, 770 (767); Messageries Maritimes, 240 (240); Transatlantique, 1,124 (1,112); Raffinerie Say, 2,080 (2,095); Sucreries d'Egypte, 1,015 (969); Wagons-Lits, 668 (653); Thomson Houston, 1,127 (1,186); Lautaro Nitrate, 400 (407); Ford of France, 170 (172); Rio Tinto, 5,860 (5,915); Tharsis, 651 (662); De Beers, 1,220 (1,229); De Beers Preferred, 1,552 (1,550); Jagersfontein Estate, 257 (257); Central Mining, 2,300 (2,300); Chartered, 256 (256); Brakpan, 1,600 (1,610); Crown Mines, 420 (423); East Rand, 80 (81); Geduld, 450 (449); General Mining, 108 (111); Consolidated Goldfields, 284 (289); Johannesburg Consolidated, 280 (283); Randfontein Estate, 42 (41); Rand Mines, 398 (399); Tanganyika, 350 (351); Transvaal Consolidated, 199 (201); Union Corporation, 462 (462); Mexico Mines of El Oro, 90 (91); Mozambique, 82 (84); West Rand Mines Consolidated, 45 (47); Caoutchoucs, 198 (200); Eastern International, 127 (127); Gula Kalumpong, 147 (150); Kuala Lumpur, 213 (213); Malacca, 215 (215); Mexican Eagle, 174 (173); Royal Dutch, 41,000 (41,240); Shell Transport, 599 (601); Platine, 1,970 (1,970); Liancourt, 125 (128); Oceana Consolidated, 23.25 (24.25). Exchange on New York, 25.45 (25.44¾); exchange on London (official) average, 123.93½ (123.90½); cheques, closing market rate, 123.92 (123.90½). Private discount rate, 3⅝% (3⅝%).—*Reuter.*

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 13.—Closing quotations:—6% Dutch, 1902, 103⅛ (previous, 103⅝); 5% Dutch, 1903, 93⅝ (102¾); 3% Dutch, 76⅞ (76⅛); Peruvian, 12⅛ (13⅜); Peruvian, 4% Cum. Pref., 55½ (55¼); Erie, 59¼ (—); New York Ontario, 15⅞ (16); United States Steel, 168⅞ (170½); Southern Pacific, 120⅛ (—); Royal Dutch; Petroleum, 398¾ (399¾); Anaconda, 15⅝ (157); Deli Batavia Rubber, 94½ (90); Deli Batavia Tobacco, 375¾ (378); Deli Mij, 347¾ (348¾); Senembah Mij, 394½ (—); Amsterdam Rubber, 156 (152); Maatschappij Ite, 154½; Philips Lamp, 499 (493); Exchange on Berlin, 59.54 (59.32); London, 12.10⅝ (12.09½); New York, 2.48⅝ (2.48½); Paris, 9.77 (9.76¼).

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—Closing quotations:—Deutsche Erdoel, 105.60 (previous, 104.50); Dynamit Nobel, 150.40 (85.10); Kali Industrie, 186 (185.70); Salzdetfurth, 339 (338); Rheinbraunkohlen, 255.25 (255); Rhein Westfael Elekt., 193 (193).

Reuter's quotations:—German Loan Liquidation Debt, 8.75 (previous, 8.10); Mexican Consols, 19.50 (—); Reichsbank, 295.50 (291.50); Berliner Handels Gesellschaft, 190.75 (187.25); Commerz und Privat Bank, 159.62 (157.50); Darmstadter and National Bank, 242 (241.50); Deutsche Bank and Disconto, 151.50 (149); Dresdner Bank, 151 (149.75); Gelsenkirchen Bergwerke, 137.25 (138); Harpener, 144 (144.10); Allgemeine Elek., 174.25 (173); Farbenindustrie, 183 (179.50); Farbenindustrie, 6% Debs., 106.87 (105.50); Hamburg Amerika, 106.62 (105.12); Norddeutsche Lloyd, 106.90 (104.60); A.E.G., 126 (118.75); Vereinigte Stahlwerke, 105.60 (106.25); Bemberg, Zundwaren, 242 (237); Polyphon, 284.50 (279.50); Siemens and Halske, 297.25 (294.50); Schuckert, 192.75 (190.50); Exchange on London, 20.40 (20.39); Paris, 16.46½ (16.46); Amsterdam, 168.50 (168.59); New York, 4.18⅞ (4.18¾); Private discount rate:—Short money (30-85 days), 6¼% (6⅛%); long term (55-90 days), 6¾% (6⅝%); call money, 5½-7½% (5½-7½%).

VIENNA, Jan. 13.—Closing quotations:—Gar. Oes. Voelkerbundanl (Austrian Issue), 107.50 (previous, 107.65); Donau-Save-Adria-Bahn, 10.20 (10.80); Oest. National Bank, 510 (509); Wiener Bankverein, 21.50 (21.50); Oest. Credit Anstalt, 51.451); Ungar. Allg. Credit Bank, 94 (unquoted); Niederoest Eskompte, 170 (170); Donau-Dampfschiffahrts, 51.40 (30.50); A.E.G. Union Elekt., 29.01 (29.01); Oest. Brown Boveri, 158 (157.25); Oest. Siemens Schuckert, 162.75 (181); Salgo-Tarjaner-Steinkohler, 60.40 (57.90); Oest. Alpine Montan, 53.25 (32.90); Berg and Huettenwerke, 845 (826.50); Berndorfer Metallwarenfabrik, Arthur Krupp, 9.90 (10); Galiz Karpathen Petroleum, 4.11 (4.08); Exchange on Amsterdam, 285.90 (286.24); London, 34.61½ (34.61¼); New York, 707 (706); Paris, 27.92½ (27.93¾).—*Reuter.*

OFFICIAL PRICE CHANGES

The following are changes in prices since Friday last (other than those given in our tables of closing prices, including those for the New York and Montreal markets), as shown by yesterday's Stock Exchange Official List:—

SECURITIES GUARANTEED TRADE FAC. ACTS.—RISE.—Gedaref Riv. (5% Deb. Stk., 1942-62) 1 to 98-100.

HOME CORPORATION.—RISE.—Birkenhead (6% 1936-51) 1 to 103-105, Birmingham (3½% 1946) 1 to 76-78, Do. (4½% 1939-49) 1 to 93-94, Derby (6% 1949-60) ½ to 103-105, Glamorgan County (3% 1934-54) 1 to 80-91, Plymouth (3% 1942) 1 to 80-82.

PUBLIC BOARDS.—RISE.—Mersey Docks and Harbour Bd. (3½% 1935-65) 1 to 76-78.

DOMINION GOVT. INSCRIBED.—RISE.—Newfoundland (5% 1923) 2 to 99-101, South Australian (3% 1932-42) 1 to 89-92, Victoria (5% 1932-42) 1 to 89-92.

FALL.—Australia (4½% 1940-60) ½ to 82-85, South Australian (3½% 1936-56) 1 to 80-84.

FOREIGN CORPORATION.—RISE.—Copenhagen (4% 1908) 1 to 77-80, Do. (4% 1910) 1 to 78-81, Denmark (5% 1922) ½ to 93½-95½, Nicthercy (7% Bds.) 1 to 92-95, Osaka (6% Bds.) 3 to 87-91, Valparaiso (5½% Wlbd. Ln., 1912) 1 to 94-98, Yokohama (5% 1924-54), 1 to 78-82. FALL.—Bello Horizonte (6% 1930) 2 to 88-92.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT.—RISE.—Argentine (5% Ipt. Ln., 1909) 1 to 93-95, Brazilian (4½% 1888) 1 to 57-59, Do. (4% 1889) 1 to 48-50, Do. (5% 1895) 1 to 67-69, Do. (5% 1903) 1 to 67-69, Do. (5% 1910) 1 to 90-93, Do. (4% 1910) 1 to 52-54, Do. (5% 1911) 2 to 62-65, Do. (5% Fndg. Bds., 1914) 1 to 74-76, Chilean (5% 1909) 1 to 84-86, Do. (5% 1911) 1 to 86-88, Do. (4% 1922) ½ to 101½-103½, Hungarian (Gld. Rentes, 1910) 1 to 80-82, Japan (4% 1910) ½ to 68-70, Do. (5% Bds. S. Manchurian Rly., 1) to 97-99, Do. (5% Ln., 1923) 1 to 88-90, San Paulo (8% 1921) 1½ to 90-93, Do. (7% Wtwks. Ln., 1926) 1 to 90-92. FALL.—Roumania (7% Bds. Monop. Institute) 1 to 82-84.

HOME RAILS, DEBENTURE.—RISE.—L. and N.E. (4%) ½ to 76-78.

HOME RAILS, GUARANTEED.—RISE.—Midland and G.N. Joint Line (3% Rent-charge) ½ to 55½-57½.

HOME RAILS, PREFERENCE.—RISE.—L.M. and S. (4% 1923) ½ to 70-72.

INDIAN RAILS.—RISE.—Nizams Gtd. State 5 to 275-285, ditto, 4% M. Debs., Bv. and Regd., and 3½% (ditto, Br., and Regd.) 1 to 95-100. FALL.—Assam-Bengal (Gld. 3% plus share of surpl. profits) 1 to 76-82, Bengal Doonrs 3½ to 165-171, Bombay, Bar. and C. India (Gtd. 3% plus share of surplus profits) 1 to 91-96, Madras and S. Mahratta (Gtd. 3½% plus share of surpl. pfts.) 2 to 111-116.

DOM. AND COL. RAILS.—RISE.—Canad. N. Quebec (4% Perp. Gtd. Deb. Stk.) 1 to 72-74, Canadian Pac. (Algoma Branch, 5% 1st M. Bds.) 1 to 98-100, Grand Trunk Pac. (3% Gtd. 1st M. Stg. Bds., 1962) 1 to 67-69, Rhodesia Rails (5% 1st M. Debs.) ½ to 87-89.

AMERICAN RAILS.—RISE.—Alabama G.S. (Pref.) 2 to 125-129.

FOREIGN RAILS.—RISE.—Argentine N.E. (5% "A" Deb. Stks.) 1 to 81-83, ditto (5% "A" Debs.) 1 to 82-84, Bahia-Blanca and N.W. (4½% Gtd. Stk.) ½ to 76½-78½, ditto (5% Gtd. 1st Mtge. Bds.) 1 to 78-80, Benguella (5% Reg. Debs. Ser. "A," "B," "C," and "D") ½ to 68½-70½, B.A. Midland (4% N.C. Pref.) 1 to 70-72, ditto (4% Irred. D. Stk.) 1 to 73-74, Cent. Argentine (Defd.) ½ to 81-83, ditto (4½% N.-C. Pref.) 1 to 76-78, ditto (5% 10-yr. Notes, 1939) 1 to 94-96, Centl. Urug. of Montevideo (4% D. Stk.) ½ to 67-85, Cord. Centl. (7% N.-C. 1st Pref. Inc. Stk.) 1 to 70-71, Gt. W. of Brazil ½ to 3-3½, Guayaquil and Quito (5% 1st M. Gtd. Bds. and ditto, with C.F. Bondholders' Crts. of Dep.) 1 to 34-37, Ottoman (S. to A.) (6% 2nd D. Stk.) 1 to 55-59. FALL.—Centl. Urug. Eastn. Extn. 1 to 10¾-11⅞, ditto, Nthn. Extn. ½ to 67½-70½, Midland Uruguay (5% Prior Lien Deb. Stk.) 1 to 81-83.

BANKS AND DISCOUNT.—RISE.—Alexanders Disc. (6% Pref.) ½ to 2½-2⅞, B. of Nova Scotia 1 to 73-78, Eastern B. ½ to 5½-5¾, Ionian B. ¼ to 4¼-4¾, Natl. Disc. (" P ") ¼ to 9½-10.

BREWERIES.—RISE.—Bieckert's (1900) 2 to 256-261, Ohlsson's Cape 1/0 to 27/0-29/0, Showells (4½% Debs.) 1 to 88-71.

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, &c.—RISE.—Calico Printers' Assoc. ½ to 1¼-1⅝, Columbia Graph. (7% Pref.) ½ to 1¼-1⅝, Commercial Propria. (5% 1st Deb.) 1 to 90-93, Erinoid 9d. to 5/0-6/0, Kreuger and Toll (Ptg. Debs. ¾ to 26¼-27¼, Nestles Milk (8% Pref.) ½ to 1⅜-1⅞, New Trans. Chemical (8% " A " Pref.) 6d. to 22/0-23/0, Short's (6% Pref.) ¼ to 7¼-8¼, ditto (Defd.) ⅛ to 1½-1¾, Smith, and Argen. Mess (7½% Pref.) ½ to 9½-11½, Sviller's (Defd.) 6d. to 7/0-9/0, Trust Houses 6d. to 12/0-14/0, Union Cold Storage (7% Pref.) ½ to 1-1½, Van den Berghs (12% Pref.) 3d. to 10/9-11/9. FALL.—Assam Railways (" B ") ½ to 183-193, Colombo Commercial ½ to 21-23, Gillette Safety Razor 1 to 108-105, Magadi Soda (6% 2nd Pref.) 3d. to 3/0-4/0, New Trans. Chemical (6% 1st Pref.) 6d. to 19/0-20/0, Theatre Royal (Drury Lane) ½ to 1¼-1⅝.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING, POWER.—RISE

STOCK EXCHANGE DEALINGS—
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Peru, 7% Bds. of 1918, 84½ 2½ ½ ½ 2 2 2
San Paulo (State of), 5% Bds. 1909, 84½ 5 4½
Do., 5% 1907, 86½ ¼ 5†† 5

RAILWAYS—GT. BRITAIN & NORTHN. IRELAND—ORDINARY SHARES AND STOCKS

G., W. Cons., 92¼ 1¼ ¾ ½ 2 ¾ ½ ½ 1¾ 3 2 ¼ 1¾ ⅞ ¼ 1¼ ⅞ ½ ¾ ⅝ ⅝ ½ ⅝ ⅝ ½ ⅝ ⅝ ½

HOME COMMERCIAL MARKETS

RUBBER FIRMER

GRAIN AND FARM PRODUCE

LONDON (THE BALTIC EXCHANGE), Jan. 13.—WHEAT.—The cargo market had a steady tone and there was a fair inquiry to the Continent for prompt ship, hand Manitoba, while owing to the elevator fire at Leith a good business was completed in order to replace stocks at that port. Demand, however, was inadequate to lead to much improvement in values. Japan has taken a further cargo of West Australian, Feb., f.o.b. loads, 6,000 tons. Rosafe, 63½lb., 3,500 tons, per Student, at Liverpool, sold at 43s. 6d. for transhipment to U.K. port, while to Leith a part cargo of 2,755 quarters No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic conveyor) and 11,501 quarters No. 2, per King Lud, B/L Dec. 2, sold at 51s. 11½d. and at 50s. 11½d. respectively. A cargo of No. 1 and No. 2 Northern Manitoba, afloat, was offered at 51s. and 50s., and No. 1 and No. 2 Rosafe, 63½lb., afloat, at 47s. 9d. and 46s. 6d. respectively. For Rosafe, 63½lb., afloat, 45s. 4½d. was asked, 45s. 3d. for loading and 44s. for Barusso, 63½lb., Jan. (old crop). Australian, afloat and Jan./Feb., was held for 48s. Parcels were in good demand to outports at 3d. to 6d. per quarter advance. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) per Minnetonka, Jan. 13-Feb. 14, at 48s. 4½d. To Leith, No. 3 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic), per Cairnross, sailing Jan. 24, made 50s. 6d.; Jan., 50s. 3d.; No. 1, per Cairncross, sold at 48s. 3d.; and Rosafe, 63½lb., shipping-shipped, at 45s. The wheat futures market closed dull and unchanged to 6d. lower as compared with Saturday.

Basis No. 2 Northern Manitoba

Per 480lb.	Opening values	1.15 values	Business done Highest	Lowest	Closing values	Prev. closing values
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan. ..	47 10½	47 8	—	—	47 8	47 6
March ..	48 4½	48 0	48 3	48 1	47 10	48 0
May ..	48 10½	48 4	—	—	48 2	48 6

MAIZE was quietly steady at about late rates. La Plata, 15.4 at 28s. 3d.; and Feb., at 28s. 6d. Argentine was steadier but closed quiet at about 3d. decline. Rosafe, per Maplecrove, afloat, sold at 27s. 3d.; per Gorschtein, at 27s. 1½d.; and May-June, at 27s. 3d. to 27s. 6d.; Feb.-March, at 28s. 9d. to 28s. 6d.; Feb.-March, at 27s. 1½d.; and May-June, at 27s. 3d. to 27s.

BARLEY was quiet and the turn easier. Californian superior, Jan., 33s. 3d. Danubian, Jan.-Feb. and March-April, 28s. 3d.; and Persian, Jan.-Feb. and March-Black Sea, Jan., 22s. was asked; 23s. 3d. for Feb., and 23s. 9d. was required and 27s. 6d. for No. 4, Jan.-Feb. Oats tended against the seller. La Plata, Jan., was offered at 16s.; Feb., at 16s. 3d.; and March, at 16s. 6d.; and mixed feed, Jan., at 12s. For Russian, Jan., 16s. was asked.

AT MARK LANE trading was quiet and prices were mostly lower. Home-grown wheat was quiet at 42s. 6d. to 43s. 6d. per 504lb. Imported wheat was 6d. to 9d. lower. No. 1 Northern Manitoba, ex-ship, 48s. 6d.; No. 2 hard winter, 48s. 6d.; No. 3 ditto, 48s. 3d.; No. 4 Manitoba, 51s. 6d.; No. 6, 48s. 9d.; Rosafe, 63½lb., 47s. 9d.; Barusso, 63½lb., 48s.; and Australian, 50s. 6d. per 480lb. Flour was steady but quiet. London straight-run, 41s. to 42s.; and country offers, 39s. to 34s. 6d. per quarter decline. La Plata was nominal and obtainable at 3d. to 6d. per quarter decline. La Plata, Jan., landed, 29s. 6d.; and ex-ship, 29s. 3d. per 480lb. Barley was quiet and occasionally the turn easier. English malting, 54s. to 52s.; English feed, 29s. 6d. to 32s. Californian cold, landed, 38s. to 42s.; (new), ex-ship, 31s. to 36s.; and Chilian, 30s. Oats were dull with little enquiry. Beans and peas continued quiet at recent prices. Wheat feed was dull and unchanged. Middlings, 6s. to 6s. 3d.; fine middlings, 7s. 9d.; bran, 6s. to 6s. 6d., and broad bran, 6s. 6d. to 7s. per 224lb. Oatmeal maintained. Fine Midlands, 20s.; Aberdeen, 21s.; American, 15s. 6d. to 16s., and rolled oats, 16s. 6d. per 112lb.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 13.—WHEAT. The market for shipment parcels was quiet, with values irregular, Manitoba and American wheat being 2d. per qr. dearer. La Plata sorts unchanged and Rosafe 2d. per qr. cheaper. Sellers offered No. 1 N. Manitoba, Jan., at 51s. 3d. No. 2, Jan., at 49s. 3d.; No. 3, Jan., 49s. 3d.; No. 4 Manitoba, Jan., at 48s.; No. 5, 45s.; No. 6, 44s. 6d. No. 1 hard winter, Jan., 47s. 6d.; No. 2, 46s.; Rosafe, 64lb., afloat, 45s.; Australian, afloat, 48s. 3d. Sales reported comprised No. 2 N. Manitoba, arrived, at 50s. 4½d.; and No. 3, Jan., 49s. 3d.; No. 4 Manitoba, Jan., 47s. 4½d.; No. 5, 45s.; No. 6, 44s. 6d.; No. 1 hard winter, Jan., 47s. 6d.; No. 2, 46s.; Rosafe, 64lb., afloat, 45s.; Australian, afloat, 48s. 3d. Sales reported comprised No. 2 N. Manitoba, arrived, at 50s. 4½d.; and No. 3, Jan., 49s. 3d.; and Australian, 48s. 3d. Spot parcels were quiet and unchanged. Stocks have been reduced by about 6,800 tons. Imported wheat futures closed quiet 1d. per cental lower to unchanged. Sales were 300 lots. March at 9s. 4½d. to 9s. 3½d., and May, 9s. 7d. to 9s. 5½d.; and July, 9s. 7d. to 9s. 6½d. Closing values :—March, 9s. 3½d.; May, 9s. 6½d.; and July, 9s. 7d.

GRADED WHEAT FUTURES

Per 100lb.	Opening values	Business done Highest	Lowest	Closing values	Prev. closing values
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
March ..	9 6¼	9 8¼	9 5¾	9 8¼	9 6¼
May ..	9 6¾	9 7	9 5½	9 7	9 6½
July ..	9 7	9 7	9 6¼	9 7¼	9 7⅛

MAIZE.—Shipment parcels were quiet and easy for La Plata sorts, while Danube and African were not offered. There were sellers of La Plata, afloat, at 27s. to 27s. 3d.; Jan.-Feb., 27s.; Feb.-March, 27s. 3d.; and May-June, 27s. 1½d. Spot parcels were quiet and 1½d. lower for yellow La Plata.

OATS.—Shipment parcels were dull; Chilean tawny, Jan.-Feb. and March, 18s.; and La Plata, f.a.q., Jan.-Feb., 15s. 9d., sellers.

FLOUR was steady but quiet.

Stocks in public warehouses for the week ended Jan. 11 are given below :—

	Wheat	Maize	Barley	Oats
Liverpool ..	218,524	23,213	2,286	4,827
Manchester ..	25,383	5,783	367	353
Ellesmere Port ..	2,119	—	—	—
Total tons	246,026	28,996	2,653	5,180
Total last week	254,624	28,671	2,891	5,016

COTTON

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 13.—A better demand was reported for spot cotton at generally firmer rates. Quotations of American were advanced 10 points; middling, 9.60d. fair, 9.25d.; g.f. smooth, 10.25d.; g.f. and f. Egyptian very 5 to 7 points higher; Fernam, 39.55d.; Egyptian very 5 to 7 points higher; f.g.f. sakellaridis, 14.60d. African advanced 10 points; g.f. middling West, 9.80d., and f.g.f., 10.15. East Indian rose 10 points; fine m.f. brach, 7.40d.; and fine No. 1 Ocomra, 7.60d.

American futures opened at a rise of 11 to 13 points in response to bullish week-end cable advices which induced short covering and attracted Continental buying. Subsequent realising was readily absorbed, and at midday the market was steady at a rise of 9 to 12 points. Trade buying and selling kept the tone fairly steady in the afternoon, when disappointing New York cables caused a slight setback, the close being quiet but 8 to 11 points higher on the day. Liverpool closing prices :—Jan., 9.24; March, 9.31; May, 9.39; July, 9.42. New York 11 a.m. prices :—Jan., 17.45; May, 17.70; July, 17.84.

Egyptian futures: Sakellaridis contracts opened 7 points higher, and later improved 10 to 13 points owing to shorts covering and foreign buying, but reacted slightly towards the end on realizing, and closed barely steady at 5 to 8 points advance. Closing prices :—Jan. and Feb., 12.35; March and April, 12.96; May, 14.10; June, 14.24; July, 14.38; Aug. and Sept., 14.43; Oct., 14.51; Nov., 14.53; Dec., 14.58; Jan., 14.68. Upper contracts closed quiet at a rise of 2 to 5 points. Closing values :—Jan., 10.45; Feb., 10.48; March, 10.54; April, 10.65; May, 10.73; June, 10.83; July to Sept., 10.91; Oct., 11.02; Nov., 11.04; Dec. and Jan., 11.14.

Egyptian futures finished quiet and generally 9 points higher on the day. Closing prices :—Jan., 9.21; Feb., 9.23; March, 9.29; April, 9.32; May, 9.29; June, 9.28; Sept., 9.22; Oct., 9.27; Nov., 9.25; Dec., 9.26; Jan., 9.30.

Description	Sales To-day	So far this week	Exports To-day	So far this week	Imports To-day	So far this week
American ..	2,900	5,500	100	200	—	—
Brazilian, &c. ..	1,150	1,350	—	—	19,885	27,514
Peruvian ..	1,000	2,000	—	—	—	—
African, &c. ..	250	450	—	—	—	—
Egyptian ..	350	550	—	—	—	—
E. Indian ..	350	450	—	—	—	—
Total— This week	6,000	10,000	100	200	19,885	27,514
Last week	5,000	8,000	100	200	39	14,000

Amer. Futures To-day Previous day

Delivery	Highest	Lowest	Closing	Highest	Lowest	Closing
January ..	9.27	9.23	9.24	9.17	9.14	9.14
February ..	9.27	9.25	9.25	9.15	9.15	9.14
March ..	9.33	9.30	9.31	9.23	9.19	9.20
April ..	9.35	9.34	9.35	—	—	9.25
May ..	9.42	9.38	9.39	9.32	9.29	9.30
June ..	—	—	9.39	—	—	9.30
July ..	9.47	9.43	9.45	9.38	9.34	9.34
August ..	—	—	9.45	—	—	9.33
September ..	—	—	9.45	—	—	9.33
October ..	—	—	9.45	—	—	9.33
November ..	9.45	9.40	9.45	9.36	9.33	9.33
December ..	—	—	9.45	—	—	9.33
January ..	—	—	9.45	—	—	9.36
February ..	9.45	9.45	9.45	—	—	9.35

The Alexandria General Produce Association quote fairly good fair futures (in 100lbs of a dollar per cantar of 99.05lb.) as follows :—

	Today 1st report	Close	Previous close
Ashmouni, Feb. ..	19.26	19.26	19.26
April ..	19.42	19.77	19.77
Sakellaridis, Jan. ..	27.05	27.12	27.02
March ..	28.11	27.99	27.99
May ..	28.60	28.55	28.48

Receipts to-day, 11,593 bales, against 3,935 a year ago.

MANCHESTER, Jan. 13.—To-day the inquiry under discussion was of considerable extent. Mail news from India was encouraging, but a good inquiry was mentioned from that outlet for various styles. Offers, however, remained low, and this made business difficult. Differences were anything from 3 to 5 per cent. between buyer and seller in the case of bulk. Cotton brocades were sold for India, and Rangoon purchased twills. Very little was done in bleaching cloths for China, but lawns were sold. Argentine bought dyeing cloths, and Egypt took a few whites. Business for the West Indies and the Continent was rather patchy. Buying on home account was fairly good and covered a wide range of goods. Spinners of American yarns quoted 1d. per lb. above Friday's prices, but found difficulty in securing the advance. The turnover, whether in Oldham or Bolton qualities, was of a disappointing character.

WOOL

BRADFORD, Jan. 13.—Although it cannot be said there has been a more active demand for tops or yarns in this market to-day, a more optimistic tone has prevailed because of the announcement that the changes in woolcombing have been still further reduced. This will help in reducing the total cost of production and in raising the competing power of those engaged in the processes of manufacture when a general revival is experienced. For the time being there is a lack of confidence in the present standard of values owing to the very restricted trade in partially and fully manufactured goods and in face of the large quantity of raw material, especially of the finer qualities, which is in sight. Prices of tops are nominal, as follows :—Sixty-fours, warp, 31½d.; average, 30½d.; fifty-sixes, 24d.; fifties, 21d.; forties, prepared, 17d.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN PRODUCE

LONDON, Jan. 13.—SUGAR.—Home refined was in fair request at last prices. Tate's London and Lyle's No. 2 granulated, 22s. 9d.; T L granulated, 22s. 6d. Home-grown granulated, Jan., ex Ely, Ipswich and Cantley, 21s. 6d. (5d. less ex London); Anglo-Scottish, Jan., 21s. 7½d. to 22s.; T L, ex refinery, 22s.; ex wharf, 21s.; West Indian crystallised, spot, quoted 21s. 3d. to 23s. 6d.; white Mauritius, spot, quoted 22s. 3d. to 23s. 6d.; cent., Jan.-Feb., 11s. 6d. c.i.f. White Java, Jan.-Feb., quoted 11s. 3d., c.i.f., Europe; Jan.-March, 11s., c and f. India. Czech granulated, prompt, quoted 10s. 9d.; April-June, 10s. 4½d., f.o.b., Hamburg. Dutch granulated, prompt, quoted 10s. 6d., f.o.b., Rotterdam. Polish granulated, prompt, quoted 9s. 4½d., f.o.b., Danzig. Raws were quiet; preferential, 9s. per cent., Jan.-Feb., quoted 11s. 9d., value; Peruvian 9s per cent., afloat and Jan., quoted 8s., sellers; basis 96 per cent., Feb., quoted 8s. 11½d.; May parcel sold at 8s. 4½d.; Cuban 96 per cent., Jan.-Feb., quoted 8s. 4½d.; Brazil 80 per cent., Feb., quoted 7s. 8d., value, c.i.f.

White sugar futures were quiet; March delivery sold at 9s. 11½d. to 9s. 10½d. Calls :—

Month	10.30 a.m. Sellers	Buyers	3.15 p.m. Sellers	Buyers	4.15 p.m. Sellers	Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan. ..	9 9	9 6	9 8¼	9 4½	9 4½	9 4½
March ..	9 9	9 10½	9 11¼	9 10½	9 10½	9 10½
May ..	10 0¾	10 5¼	10 6	10 4½	10 6	10 4½
Aug. ..	11 0¾	10 10½	11 0¾	10 11¼	11 0	10 11¼

Raw sugar futures were easier; March delivery sold from 6s. 7½d. to 6s. 6¾d., and May at 7s. 7½d. to 7s. 6¾d.; 8s. 4½d. (combined), and 8s. 8s. 5¾d. Calls (88 per cent. beet) :—

Month	10.30 a.m. Sellers	Buyers	3.15 p.m. Sellers	Buyers	4.15 p.m. Sellers	Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan. ..	6 7½	6 6	6 7½	6 6	7 0	6 6
March ..	6 7½	6 6¾	6 7½	6 6¾	7 0	6 6¾
May ..	7 7½	7 6¾	7 7½	7 6¾	7 7½	7 6¾
Aug. ..	8 2¼	8 1½	8 2¼	8 1½	8 2¼	8 1½
Oct. ..	8 3¾	8 3	8 3¾	8 2¾	8 3¾	8 2¾
Dec. ..	8 4½	8 3¾	8 4½	8 3¾	8 4½	8 3¾

The following are statistics of raw sugar for the week ended Jan. 11 :—

	Imports 1930	1929	Deliveries 1930	1929	Stocks 1930	1929
London ..	3,000	1,655	971	1,560	28,753	14,598
Liverpool ..	22,824	49,803	12,005	12,986	176,634	91,727
Total tons	25,414	71,458	12,976	14,528	205,377	106,325
Last week	17,010	12,200	14,310	10,831	192,939	69,598

RUM.—Landed in London last week, 160 puncheons; delivered, home consumption, 123; for export, 118; stock, 3,487 puncheons against 20,620 puncheons a year ago.

COFFEE.—The spot market ruled quietly steady. Brazilian,—Landed in London last week, nil; delivered, home consumption, 150 bags; export, nil; stock, 5,545 bags against 9,536 bags a year ago. Central American,—Landed, 4,518 packages; delivered, home consumption, 3,200; export, 1,584; stock, 52,370 bags against 46,136 bags last year. Other kinds.—Landed, 5,652 packages; delivered, home consumption, 2,257; export, 64; stock, 45,939 packages against 46,575 packages in 1929.

COCOA.—Landed in London last week, 35,751 bags; delivered, home consumption, 6,763; export, 65; stock, 154,453 bags against 90,731 bags a year ago. Accra, steady; fair fermented, Feb.-April, quoted 39s. 6d. per cwt., sellers; March-May, 40s. 6d., sellers. Futures were quietly steady, no business being reported. Calls (Accra cocoa) :—

Month	11 a.m. Sellers	Buyers	4 p.m. Sellers	Buyers	4.50 p.m. Sellers	Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan. ..	45 0	43 0	46 0	43 0	45 0	43 0
March ..	45 0	43 0	46 0	43 0	45 0	43 0
May ..	44 6	43 0	45 6	43 0	45 0	43 0
July ..	45 6	44 0	46 0	44 0	45 6	44 0
Sept. ..	46 0	44 6	46 6	44 6	45 6	44 6
Dec. ..	46 0	45 1½	46 3	45 1½	45 10½	45 6

TEA.—At auction 32,992 packages of Indian grades were on offer. There was a good tone with general buying. Prices for the lower grades were steady, while for all the better liquoring and tippy descriptions, demand was keen and rates were firmer in tendency. Autumnal sorts and good cup fannings made full prices. Common broken Pekoe Souchong sold from 6d. to 9d.; common broken Pekoe Souchong from 9½d. to 1s.; medium broken Pekoe Souchong from 10d. to 1s. 2d.; fine medium broken Pekoe and broken orange Pekoe from 1s. 4d. to 2s. 2d.

RICE was steady. Burma No. 2, cleaned, spot, quoted 14s. per cwt.; Jan.-Feb., in shiploads to Continent and U.K., 12s. 3d.; loading to Levant, Jan.-Feb., 12s. 1½d., sellers, c.i.f. Landed in London last week, 480 tons; delivered, 451; stock, 3,165 tons, against 4,183 tons a year ago.

RANGOON BEANS were quiet. Handpicked, white, spot, quoted 14s. per cwt.; Jan.-Feb., 13s., c.i.f., U.K.

RANGOON FLOUR was barely steady. Jan.-Feb. quoted 11s. 10½d. per cwt., value, c.i.f., U.K.

TAPIOCA was steady. Fine Java flake, spot, quoted 28s. 6d. per cwt. Jan., 28s. 6d., value, c.i.f. Fair flake Singapore, Jan.-Feb., quoted 16s., sellers, c.i.f., Havre. Good pearl, Jan.-Feb., quoted 15s. 6d., value, c.i.f. Java seed, spot, quoted 22s.; Jan., 24s., value, c.i.f.

SAGOS.—Export for shipment was easier under realisations. Black Singapore, spot, quoted 11¼d. per lb.; Lampong, 11½d.; white Muntok, 1s. 4½d., sellers. To arrive, black Singapore, f.a.q., Jan.-March, quoted 11d.; Lampong, Jan.-March, sold at 11d.; March-May, at 11½d.; white Muntok, Jan.-March, from 1s. 4½d. to 1s. 3½d.; March-May from 1s. 4½d. to 1s. 3⅞d., c.i.f., delivered weight. Black, landed in London last week, 33 tons; delivered, 60; stock, 1,286 tons, against 1,312 tons a year ago. White, landed, 122 tons; delivered, 40; stock, 249 tons, against 277 tons a year ago. Cloves quiet; Zanzibar, spot, quoted 10d.; Jan.-March, 8¾d., value, c.i.f. Landed, 240 bales; delivered, 79; stock, 1,710 bales, against 6,017 bales a year ago.

RUBBER.—Plantation grades were firmer on better American advices, and improved demand, values closing ½d. per lb. higher on the day. Smoked sheet, spot and Jan., sold from 7½d. to 7¼d. per lb., and buyers; Feb. from 7¼d. to 7⅜d., and sellers; March from 7⅜d. to 7½d., and buyers; July-Sept. from 7¾d. to 7⅞d., and buyers; Oct.-Dec. from 7⅛d. to 8¼d., and buyers; crepe, spot, Jan. and Feb., 7⅛d. to 7⅜d., and buyers. Para grades quiet; hard fine, spot, quoted 9d., sellers. Landed in London last week, 3,430 tons; delivered 1,065; stock, 58,990 tons, against 23,016 tons a year ago and 55,524 tons in 1928. Landed in Liverpool, 442 tons; delivered, 240; stock, 19,640 tons, against 3,320 tons a year ago.

GAMBIER was quiet. Good marks, Jan.-Feb., quoted 28s. 6d. per cwt., sellers, c.i.f.

SHELLAC.—The spot market was quiet; T N Orange, basis fair, quoted 147s. 6d. per cwt.; A C 185s., sellers. Futures were easier; T N, March delivery, sold from 135s. to 137s.; May delivery from 140s. to 139s. Shipment market was quiet; T N, in bags, Jan.-Feb., quoted 135s., sellers, c.i.f. Calcutta cable dated Jan. 13 gives :—Easy. Spot, Feb. and March, quoted Rs.63, buyers.

HEMP.—Manilla receipts last week amounted to 24,000 bales against 35,000 bales a year ago. Estimates for this week and next are given as 28,000 bales and 28,000 bales respectively. The market was quiet but steady with sellers reserved. Grade J, Jan.-March, quoted £33 5s., value; K, about, sold at £32 10s.; Jan.-March and March-April, Feb.-April sold at £32; L, No. 1, Jan.-March, at £30 5s., and value; No. 2, £27 10s., value; M, No. 1, £27 10s., value; No. 2, £25 10s., value, c.i.f. African sisal barely steady; Tanganyika and Kenya No. 1, good marks, Jan.-March, quoted £35 15s., value; f.a.q., £35 5s., sellers, c.i.f. Mexican sisal unaltered.

JUTE opened with a steady tone, but prices gave way later under freer offers and closed 2s. 6d. to 5s. net ton lower over the day. Buyers showed little interest and business was negligible. First marks, Dec.-Jan., quoted £26 17s. 6d. per ton, value; Jan.-Feb., £27 5s., sellers; Feb.-March sold at £27 7s. 6d., and sellers; March-April quoted £27 15s., sellers; lightnings, Jan.-Feb. and Feb.-March, quoted £25 7s. 6d., sellers; hearts, Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 10s., sellers; Dundee, 2 and 8, Jan.-Feb., quoted £24 5s., sellers; Tossa, 2 and 8, Jan.-Feb., £26, sellers, c.i.f. Calcutta cable dated Jan. 13 gives :—Firsts, spot, quoted Rs.54; lightnings, Rs.50, sellers.

LINSEED and TWINES were quiet. : 10oz., spot, quoted 24s. : Jan.-March, 23s. 6d., sellers; 8oz., spot, quoted 21s. : Jan.-March, 19s. 6d., sellers, per 100 yards; Liverpool twills, Jan.-March, quoted 64s. 6d., sellers; B, 57s. 6d., sellers, c.i.f., per 100 bags.

COPRA was easier. Singapore, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 7s. 6d. per ton, sellers, net terms, c.i.f., Rotterdam. Ceylon, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 12s. 6d., value, c.i.f., net terms, usual ports. Dutch East Indies, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 7s. 6d., sellers, c.i.f., Rotterdam. Mixed (no Fed.), Jan.-Feb., quoted £21 7s. 6d., sellers; South Sea, kiln dried, £21 5s., sellers, c.i.f., Marseilles.

SEEDS AND OILS

LONDON (THE BALTIC EXCHANGE), Jan. 13.—LINSEED was dull and about 2s. 6d. per ton lower. Calcutta, Dec.-Jan., to London, £22 10s.; April-May (new), £20 7s. 6d., sellers. Bad Bombay, Feb.-March (new), £20 12s. 6d., sellers. La Plata, afloat, to Hull, £18 12s. 6d.; Dec.-Jan. to April-May, £18 10s., sellers.

RAPESEED was quiet. COTTONSEED was steady but quiet. Bombay, Jan.-Feb., to Hull, £7 15s., sellers. Egyptian black, Jan., £8 7s. 6d.; March, £8 11s. 3d.; Sakellaridis, Jan.-Feb., £8 7s. 6d.; March, £8 12s. 3d., sellers. CASTORSEED was in better request. Bombay, Jan. and Jan.-Feb., to Hull, £15 10s. paid. GROUNDNUTS were slow. Coromandel (machined), Jan.-Feb., to Rotterdam-Hamburg, £17; Feb.-March, £17 2s. 6d.; March-April, £17 5s., sellers. PALM KERNELS were steadier. To Hamburg, Jan.-Feb., £16 15s.; Feb.-March, £16 18s. 9d.; March-April, £17 1s. 3d., sellers. LINSEED OIL was easy forward. Spot, ex mill, £44 10s.; Jan., £41 15s.; Feb.-April, £39 7s. 6d.; May-Aug., £38 2s. 6d., naked. RAPE OIL was inactive. Crude-extracted, £40 10s.; technical refined, £42, naked, ex wharf. COTTON OIL was quiet. EGYPTIAN crude, £29; refined common edible, £34; and deodorised, £36, embarked, ex mill. TURPENTINE was quiet. American, spot, 42s. 3d.; Feb.-April, 44s. 6d. per cwt.

HULL, Jan. 13.—LINSEED OIL spot, £43 15s.; Jan., £43 12s. 6d.; Feb., £42 10s.; March-April, £40 5s.; May-Aug., £39 2s. 6d. COTTON OIL.—Egyptian crude, spot, £31 15s.; Jan.-Feb., £29 10s.; edible refined, spot, £32 5s.; technical, spot, £31 15s.; deodorised, spot, £34 5s. PALM KERNEL OIL.—Crude, naked, 51½%, spot, £31. GROUNDNUT OIL.—Crushed-extracted, spot, £35; deodorised, spot, £36. SOYA OIL.—Extracted and crushed, spot, £30 10s.; deodorised, spot, £34. RAPE OIL.—Crushed-extracted, spot, £40 10s.; refined, spot, £42 10s. per ton. TURPENTINE.—Spot, 46s. per cwt.

METALS AND MINERALS

LONDON, Jan. 13.—COPPER.—The standard market was quiet, with cash at the close 5s. higher and three months 6s. lower. Sales, 300 tons.; cash at £71 10s. to £71 15s. to £71 12s. 6d.; and three months at £69 10s. to £69 7s. 6d. Settlement price, £71 15s. In the afternoon cash sold at £71 10s., Jan. £71, and April £68 5s. Stocks of refined copper in official warehouses show an increase of 211 tons at 5,439 tons and rough copper a decrease of 101 tons at 3,710 tons.

TIN.—Eastern advices gave 250 tons sold on Saturday at £182 and 200 tons to-day at £181 10s., c.i.f., the last sale showing a fall of 10s. from Friday. Here values closed 30s. 5d. lower for cash and three months. Sales, 500 tons; cash at £175 5s.; Feb., £177 to £177 5s. to £176 10s. to £176 15s.; March, £177 15s.; April, £178 5s.; and three months at £178 to £178 5s. to £178 10s. to £178 2s. 6d. Settlement price, £175. In the late trade cash sold at £175; Jan., £175 5s.; April and three months at £178 5s. Options.—26 lots, on £178 10s. was paid for call." English common tin closed quiet at £179 10s. to £177. Stocks of tin in London warehouses are 71 tons larger at 1,532 tons and Liverpool stocks 631 tons heavier at 12,219 tons.

LEAD was quiet but firmer, near dates closing 2s. 9d., and forward 1s. 9d. higher. Sales, 200 tons; Jan., at £31 11s., and Feb. and April at £31 12s. 6d. Settlement price, £31 5s. 6d. The afternoon market was idle. English remained steady and unchanged at £28.

SPELTER.—The market was active, and on balance near dates were 1s. 9d., and forward 2s. 6d. lower. Sales, 1,200 tons; Feb., at £19 12s. 6d.; and April at £20 to £19 17s. 6d. to £20. Settlement price, £19 7s. 9d. No business was done in the afternoon.

TINPLATES were steady but quieter at 18s. 9d. basis 98 £31 per ton, ex warehouse. ALUMINIUM.—Ingots and rugulas, £45 to £52 10s.; foreign, spot, £30 10s. to £31 per ton, ex warehouse. WOLFRAM.—Straits, 23s. to 25s. per unit. NICKEL, at £170 per ton. PLATINUM.—Refined quoted £12 10s. to £13 per oz. QUICKSILVER steady at £23 5s. per flask, full terms.

OFFICIAL CLOSING QUOTATIONS

	To-day £ s. d.	£ s. d.	Prev. day £ s. d.	£ s. d.
COPPER—				
Std. cash ..	71 15 0 to	71 17 6	71 10 0 to	71 12 6
Three mths.	69 5 0 —	69 7 6	69 15 0 —	69 17 6
Electrolytic	83 5 0 —	83 15 0	83 5 0 —	83 15 0
Wire Bars ..	83 15 0	—	83 15 0	—
TIN—				
Std. cash ..	174 17 6 —	175 0 0	176 15 0 —	177 0 0
Three mths.	178 2 6 —	178 5 0	180 0 0 —	180 5 0
*LEAD—				
Good soft pig, net ..	21 12 6 —	21 12 6	21 8 9 —	21 11 3
*SPELTER ..	19 7 6 —	20 0 0	19 8 9 —	20 2 6

* For shipment during the current and third following month.

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MEAT AND FISH

LONDON, Jan. 13.—SMITHFIELD MEAT.—Supplies amounted to 2,310 tons, made up of 811 tons of British and Irish produce and 1,499 tons of imported. Imports formed 64.9 per cent.

BEEF (per 8lb.).—Scotch, short sides, 7s. to 7s. 6d.; long sides, 6s. 6d. to 6s. 10d.; English long sides, 5s. 6d. to 6s.; Irish (Birkenhead killed), 5s. 4d. to 5s. 10d.; English hindquarters, forerib and flank (Kosher), 6s. 2d. to 6s. 6d.; Irish ditto (Birkenhead killed), 6s. to 6s. 4d.; Argentine hindquarters, chilled, 5s. to 5s. 6d.; forequarters, 4s. 9d. to 5s. 6d.; frozen, 4s. 4d. to 4s. 6d.; crops, 5s. 6d. to 6s. 6d.; Australian hindquarters, frozen, 4s. 4d. to 4s. 6d.; crops, frozen, 3s 5d. to 3s. 6d.

MUTTON (per 8lb.).—Scotch, 6s. 6d. to 7s. 4d.; tegs, 7s. 4d. to 8s. 4d.; English, 6s. 8d. to 7s. 4d.; tegs, 7s. 4d. to 8s. 4d.; ewes, 4s. to 5s. 7d.; tegs, wethers, 4s. 6d. to 5s. 4d.; ewes, 3s. 4d. to 3s. 10d.; Australian ewes, 3s. 2d. to 3s. 6d.; Argentine wethers, 4s. to 4s. 8d.

PORK (per 8lb.).—English (under 10st.), 9s. 4d. to 9s. 8d.; (10st. to 15st.), 8s. 4d. to 9s. 4d.; (15st. to 20st.), 8s. to 8s. 4d.; Irish (crate), 8s. to 8s. 4d.; Argentine, 6s. 8d. to 7s. 10d.; States, 6s. 8d. to 7s. 2d.; sows, 6s. 8d. to 7s.

LAMB (per 8lb.).—Scotch Hill, 7s. 4d. to 8s. 4d.; English, 11s. 4d. to 12s. 8d.; New Zealand, 5s. 6d. to 6s. 4d.; (new season), 6s. 8d. to 7s. 6d.; Australian, 5s. to 6s.; Argentine, 4s. 8d. to 5s. 8d.

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POULTRY, GAME, &c.—Surrey chicken (per lb.), 1s. 5d. to 1s. 7d.; country, 1s. 2d. to 1s. 4d.; Irish, 1s. 3d. to 1s. 4d.; French, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; Dutch, yellow, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; white, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; Dutch, 1s. 2d. to 1s. 3d.; English hens, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; ducklings, country, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 3d.; English geese, 1s. to 1s. 4d.; rabbits, wild, 6d. to 7½d.; tame, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; Hungarian, 9d. to 10d.; Irish, each, 3s. to 3s. 3d.; Scotch hares, 1s. to 1s. 3d.; English partridges, English, best, 3s. 3d. to 3s. 6d.

EGGS (per 120).—English, packed to National Mark, 2s. 9d. to 3s.; standards, 2s. 3d. to 2s. 6d.; pullet standards, 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d.; ordinary packing, grade 1, 1s. to 1s.; cold stored, 1s. to 1s.; fertilised, 1s. 6d. to 1s.; Belgian, 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d.; Danish, 1s. 6d. to 1s.; Dutch

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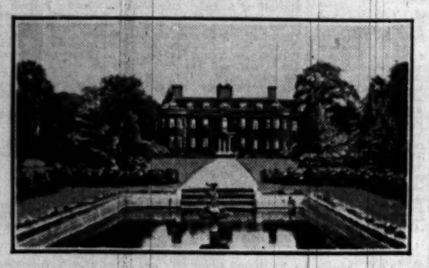

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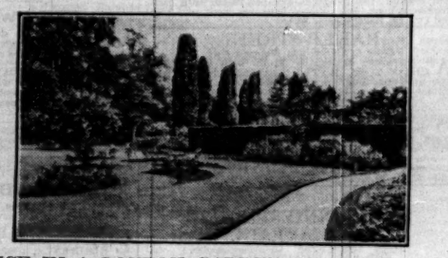

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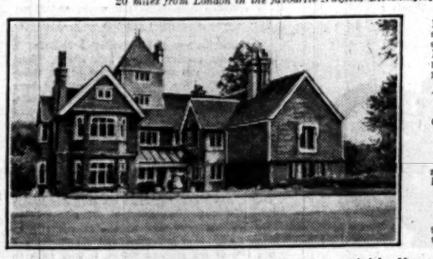

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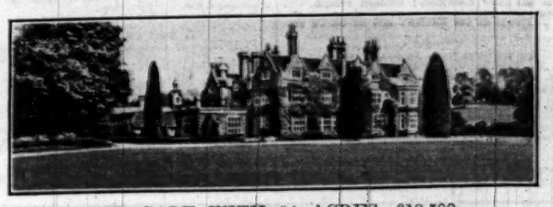

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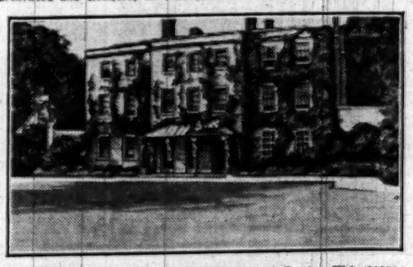

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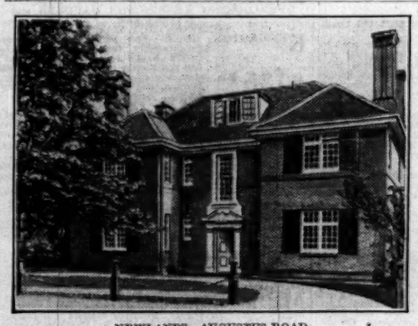

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